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# THE P R E F A C E.

**I**T may be expected that (1) an account be here given of the occasion of this SPELLING-BOOK, (2) what was design'd by it, (3) what is perform'd in it, (4) and how it may be us'd to the best advantage—This I owe to the public, for whose use it was drawn-up; and more particularly, to those worthy members of it (whether masters, or mistresses) who have the care of cultivating the first appearance of reason in children.—I shall take-notice, therefore,

I. *Of the great Difficulties, which masters and mistresses meet-with, in teaching children to read by the spelling-books now in-use.*

**T**EACHING to Read is a business of so much importance, and (at the same time) requires so much labor, skill, and attention, even with the best helps; that an attempt to facilitate the work, it is presum'd, cannot fail of being acceptable to the public. Those, who have undertaken this painful task, have long complain'd of the many difficulties they are continually meeting-with in teaching of children, whatever SPELLING-BOOK they have made-use-of to teach-by; finding themselves under a necessity of constantly throwing-in observations of their own to the children  
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under their care, to prevent the mistakes they must otherwise be perpetually falling-into a.

II. *Of what has been attempted in the following work, in order to render this business more easy and useful.*

IN consideration of the afore-said difficulties, and with a view of remedying the evil; I have venturd to add one SPELLING-BOOK more to the multitudes we have been burthen'd with. Whether I have added to the encumbrance I complain-of, or pav'd a better way to the borders of good literature, those, who are concern'd in the education of children, will soon find by experience; and, in the mean time, may be prepar'd to judge by what I here offer them. They will be pleas'd, therefore, to observe that I have endeavor'd (1) to sketch-out a plan of the design, such as it ought to be, to answer the purpose to the best advantage;

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a *The ill-contrivance of our spelling books is an evil much more considerable than, I believe, is generally imagin'd. It is a very affecting thought (though little reflected on) that children, at the first dawn of reason, should be discourag'd by being, hereby, perplext with unnecessary difficulties; and that dames (many of them, in the decay of life, or distress of fortune) should be further afflicted with the low labor of endlessly inculcating what cannot be learnt but with the utmost difficulty; and, at the same time, be loaded (perhaps) with the reproaches of parents, for the slow proficiency of their children.—Nay, even masters of a little higher class (though a great deal of their trouble is taken-off by these good women) are apt to be unreasonably severe in their censure of them, and even to hold them in contempt; perhaps only for using one, or not using such another spelling-book: when, in effect, she, that teaches, has greater cause of complaint against him that writes: since, whatever book she makes-use-of, she is (every now and then) oblig'd to correct it by her own observations.*

advantage; (2) and to show that I have executed the whole agreeably thereto.—Nor, will it, I hope, be taken amiss (3) if, to apologize for the publication of this performance, I attempt to make-it-appear that we are yet unprovided of a good-one: after which I shall beg leave (4) to add a few particulars, in recommendation of what I have labord with much pains, to make as useful as I could; (5) and to suggest a few hints, which I apprehend may be of service, as to the manner of using it.

### III. *Of the nature of the Plan, upon which this work has been formd.*

SPELLING-BOOKS (to answer the end, which they are designd-for) should be modeld on two principles, and distinguishd into two parts.—The former part, *for initiating*, should be as plain and easy as possible: and therefore (1) it ought to contain only such words as are founded according to the powers of the letters establisht in the alphabet, and syllable-pages *b*; which I beg

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*b* To make lists of words of various sounds with the same letters, many of which sounds differ greatly from those fixt in the alphabet, and syllable-pages; and that too for the use of beginners (as is the custom of all our orthographers) has something in it so exceedingly absurd, that one would have thought the embarasment of such a method, so vexatious to teachers, would long-ago have put some of them upon smoothing the path, by casting-out all those stumbling blocks—But so it is, you shall still find such words as these in their first lists: *leaf, heart, bead, bear, leap, sheath, breathe*, &c. These the child, duly prepar'd by suitable instructions at first setting out, will pronounce (all of them) alike. To set-him-to rights, therefore, the master must tell him (and repeat it as often as he forgets) that though

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beg leave to call the primer-powers; and (2) words of more-than one-syllable should be sorted according to, or (at least) markt with, the accent. c-- The second part for training-up to the difficulties and accuracies of the art, should consist of such words as are founded differently from the fixt powers of the letters, as laid down in the alphabet, and syllable-pages. And these should be distinguisht into two lists (1) such, whose sound may be settled by one single rule or observation *d*; and (2) such as require more than one rule or direction, to ascertain their sound: which I conceive may best be learnt and rememberd, by being thrown into short familiar

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*ea* in *leaf* is the common sound of that diphthong; yet, in *heart*, it sounds like *a*; in *lead*, like *e*; &c. which is much the same as if he should tell him (and inculcate it also) one minute, that the paper (his book is printed upon) is white; and, the next minute, that it is red; the minute after, that it is green; and then yellow, and blue, &c.—The right reasoning of children is surprising: and, when the book, that should help them, only perplexes; what progress can be expected? It puts them out of all heart, to be obligd to go on against common-sense, and to charge their memories with inconsistencies.

*c* Mr Owen, and Mr Markham, have (indeed) accented the polysyllables; and Others of our late writers have sorted them into lists, according to the accent: but all of them having neglected to sort the sounds, a child (notwithstanding this regulation) must still be under uncertainties, and always (as well as his master) dissatisfied.

*d* Thus (for a specimen how to remedy the above mentiond reigning fault of all spelling-books)—The sound of *ea* being suppos'd to be as in *leaf* (1) The list of words of the same sound (and of no other) ought to be in the former part of the spelling book; that neither dames, nor their children may have any doubt, or rub, or puzzle, to encrease their drudgery (2) And, in the latter part of the book, all the differences of the sound of each letter may be exhibited in different lists, with the explanative letters at the head of them, to the following effect: *ea* sounds like (*a*) in *heart*, &c. (*e*) in *lead*, &c. (*ee*) in *beard*, &c.



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familiar sentences, such as may best lead to the sense and sound of them (*e*).

IV. *Of the execution of the afore-said design :  
How perform'd by Me ; How neglected by Others.*

**T**HAT I have executed the whole, agreeable to this plan, will I hope abundantly appear from the perusal of the work. And, if So: I believe, I may venture, without offence, to declare that this SPELLING-BOOK is (what I have endeavor'd to make it) *incomparably better than any that have yet been offer'd to the nation*: especially, as I have added (in order to render it more complete) an appendix of certain particulars of great use to the gaining a better knowledge of the art; and getting a step forward into rational grammar.

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(*e*) Some, in this case, for the readier reading of such irregularly pronounc'd words, have express'd them in opposit columns, by other letters, which, according to the first establish'd powers of them answer to the sound of such words. Thus, against *daughter*, *draught*, they give us *daaw-ter* (or *dat-ter*) *drafft*.—But, as that expedient will not always answer precisely (as in *daughter* &c.) and is attended with the inconvenience of perplexing the mind about the spelling of the word, the intention being chiefly engag'd on the explicative, which is the wrong, spelling: it would seem much better, as I hinted before, to lead, more directly, to the pronunciation of them, by forming them into short phrases or sentences; that may, more agreeably, amuse the child; and draw him also into a better acquaintance with the sense of the word. Thus we might teach to pronounce the aforemention'd words, as follows: 'Is it a son, or a *daughter*? Drink a *draught* of water.'—And, in this manner, the lists of words of like sound, and different spelling &c. might also be made more intelligible, pleasant, and instructive, thus: 'Now, you may read the book. Don't break the bruised *reed*. Mr Reid told me so. ... Yesterday we read the news. Is it white, or red?'

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That Others have fallen-short of the advantages, which would have resulted from a due regard to such sentiments as I have suggested; and that the former methods of leading children into an acquaintance with words, have all along been, and still are extremely inconvenient; will (I persuade myself) sufficiently appear to the unprejudic'd, from the following animadversions on the performances of some of the latest, and most generally-receivd writers on this subject.

1. Mr DYCHE (in his Guide to the english tongue) has given us, in his first list of dissyllables, (p. 17.) 140 words; in the first page of which 17 only are to be pronounced according to the rules before laid-down by him for the sound of syllables: and, therefore a child (and even a mistress, sometimes) must be at a loss about 123 of them: especially as, for ascertaining the true pronunciation of them, regard must be had to (at least) 12 or 13 exceptions: so that, abating the accent, and the division into syllables, a child might as well begin the art of reading with his bible.

2. Mr DILWORTH (in his New guide to the english tongue) though he warmly complains that none of his predecessors had provided gradual paces for their scholars to ascend by; has little more than copied Mr Dyche, whose tables he has greatly curtail'd.—The vast difference, which he piques himself upon, is, that he has reduc'd the *monosyllables* into such an order, that beginners may proceed step by step; he having first collected only words of two letters;  
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then words of three letters; after that, words of four letters, &c. Thus (to give an idea of this fancied improvement) the rhyme-*ank*, according to Mr Dyche (p. 7.) stands thus: *bank bank lank rank sank tank: blank crank drank flank frank plank twank: sbrank*. Of these words, those, which Mr Dilworth has been pleas'd to give us, are dispos'd thus: *bank lank rank*: and 9 pages further (without the least benefit from any thing interpos'd to facilitate the pronunciation of them) *blank flank frank prank sbrank thank (f)*; dropping 10 in 20 of one single rhyme. Now it is apparent that the order of both is the same; and that the lessons in Dyche might be laid out (were there any advantage in it *g*) just as they are in Dilworth; without destroying the greater advantage of having the whole rhyme all-together.—Through the rest, he does not so much as pretend to have made any improvements: only, I find, he divides the penacute *disyllables*, with an air of greater distinction, into two tables: the title of the former of which is 'Words, whose spelling and pronunciation are nearly the same;' of the latter 'Words, whose spelling and pronunciation are different:' titles which directly declare (and 'tis strange the author

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(f) And this division of the same rhyme must sometimes be thrown into more distances. For example at (p 3.) *bat cat fat bat mat rat* (p. 4) *brat chat gnat flat that* (p. 9) *sprat* (p 15.)

(g) Were there any advantage in it, I say; because there is, I think, no reason to doubt but that a child, when he is master of the rhyme (*-ank*) will go through all the varieties of the consonants (*b, bl, sbr, &c.* with more ease, and to better purpose, than when divided to the distance of several pages.

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author was not aware of it) that the learner is left under an absolute uncertainty about the sound of the words in both of them; at the same time that there are no hints to ascertain the sound of any of them. A dreadful slavery, for both teacher and learner, to enter upon! where the one must inculcate with endless trouble, what the other (amidst the perplext varieties) must frequently forget, and (for a long time) be greatly at a loss about: the difficulty still encreasing with the syllables in his following lists; in which he has made less provision for preventing the mistakes that must arise from the greater variety of differences between the spelling and the pronunciation. Less, I say; because, in the monosyllables, he has, as he tells us (pref. p. 7.) admonisht the learner (by a parenthesis of those words, 'which, agree with orthography, but differ in sound.' *e. g. bone hone tone (dōne) (gōne) (nōne)*) and that sometimes even to an almost imperceptible delicacy: as in *dull gull bull (bull full pull.)* The reader will, in one of these examples, observe a double admonition; that of quantity, and parenthesis: but a child will find no help from either of them, neither by way of remark at the place, nor by any preceding instructions.

3. Mr DIXON (in his English instructor) besides his being guilty of the errors abovementiond, that run through the generality of orthographers, is so very sparing of the introductory preliminaries to reading, that his list of syllables, and monosyllables (together) amount to little more than



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than half a page; and in the arrangement of the latter, there are some diversities of sound, where the spelling is the same [all call fall *shall* ....are care share spare...batch *catch* hatch match] so that the confusion, which this mismanagement creates, begins sooner than in the rest of his brethren, and is the more unpardonable, as he has given fewer directions to prevent mistakes.

4. Mr KIRKBY (in his Guide to the english tongue) is so far from having suited his instructions to the capacities of children (for whose use he seems hardly to have design'd them) that even scholars will find themselves too much perplexed and bewilder'd in a multitude of mazes, to make any great advantage of his guidance.

5. Mr NEWBERRY's *Agent* (in his Circle of the sciences) though he proposes to lead-on children by progressive steps, is so far from having kept-up to his design; that he seems to have had less regard to it than most of our compilers of SPELLING-BOOKS: for, he gives but an imperfect list of syllables; and even That is of little use to direct in the pronunciation of his tables of words. Thus, in his first list of dissyllables (p. 83.) consisting of 40 words, there are but two that can be read on his own principles: and, in that of the polysyllables (p. 91.) hardly one.

6. Mr PALAIRET (in his New english SPELLING-BOOK, compos'd for the use of their royal highnesses) with all the faults of the afore-mention'd, is more superficial than any of them.

7. Mr PARDON (in his Spelling new-model'd)  
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having given no list of syllables at all, to settle any certain sounds, by way of preparation for the reading his tables of words (whence endless variations, and uncertainties) is still more embarrassing, and useless; in as much as, to the afore-mentiond reigning fault he has, in his tables, added another unaccountable one, the neglect of the accent; having thrown-together, without any regard but to the number of the syllables, and the order of the alphabet (which last is a matter of little, or no consequence) all sorts of words without any intimation of the difference either of the sound of the syllable, or of the accent of the words. So that, in the course of three words successive (beside other difficulties you have often two or three changes of accent [as *abscess abscond, absence* (p. 34.) *factionousness, fallacious, falsifying* (p. 129.) the difference of which must be inculcated with infinite repetitions; and (notwithstanding the greatest pains-taking) to little purpose.

### V. Of the method of fixing a Standard of the language, in order to prevent its future corruption.

BY way of apology for the high pretense of making this book a *standard*, and to account for some peculiarities, with the reasons of which it may be of use to the reader to be acquainted; I beg leave to add, that,

1. As to Spelling, Accent, Pronunciation, &c. where the point is Uncertain, and authors are di-

divided ; I have given the preference to what, upon the whole, had the most to be said for it : more particularly.—In *Spelling* I have discarded all the varieties, which some have affected even to plead for ; in order to establish what appeared to be the best : which, I will venture to say, is that, which comes nearest to the sound, and to the original. I am, however, to declare that I am far from being peremptory in any of my decisions ; well knowing that even academies, instituted on purpose for the improvement of their languages, have often failed of pleasing the critics. Such objections, therefore, as may offer themselves to the curious against any thing I have determined, they will be pleas'd to communicate to the editor (*b*). *The*

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(*b*) This, as things stand, seems to be the only way of working-up a design of this nature to the highest perfection it is capable of. —An academy, or institution for this purpose, for aught I find from the higher powers, is what we have little reason to expect ; how much soever it may have been desired, and wanted (*V. Addit. spec. n. 135.*) though 'tis well-known that Lewis the 14th of France, however infamous, as a prince, will be dear to the latest posterity, as a patron of learning. —And yet, such an institution might not answer the end. The ceremony and form which reigns in such assemblies, with the jealousies and disputes which arise in them from different systems and ways of thinking, have been found to defeat, in great measure, the intention of them ; so that their works have gone heavily on, and with great interruption ; and, after all, have balkt the public expectation. —So that the only method, adapted to the temper of the English, who love to pursue their speculations more at liberty, as well as with less parade, seems to be that of voluntary or occasional communications ; where public spirited persons at their leisure, and agreeably to their taste, furnish intelligences to the undertakers of useful designs. —A plan is here formed ; and a great number of materials digested in such manner as to be consulted with ease. The main difficulty, therefore, is over ; and now, that every thing appears in its proper disposition ; the author himself will be much better able, than it was possible for him

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*Accent*, it is observable, has (of late years more than formerly) been carried-backward, in order to expedite the pronounciation of the word: for which reason, in submission to custom, I have authoriz'd *advértisement*, rather than *advertisement*, &c. though the latter is far from being obsolete. In fixing therefore the accent, as well as in—*The Pronunciation* of words, about which there is any doubt or difficulty, the reader will be pleas'd to observe that I have form'd my rules upon what I conceive to be the most common way of pronouncing them among the better sort of people at London. Though, even among them, we find not only a difference in some instances, in which it is hard to say which is preferable (*i*), but also corruptions, which one may venture to declare inexcusable (*k*). Notwithstanding these uncertainties in many cases, I have (as the nature of the work requir'd

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in the first rough draught, to discover not only some blemishes in the symmetry of the whole; but also variety of faults in the several parts, which could not be well guarded-against, while the work was forming out of a chaos of numberless particulars, that were to be distributed by a great variety of references. —it is therefore to be hop'd, as it is greatly desir'd, that the curious and beneficent will have so much regard to the growing generation, and even to distant posterity, as to contribute their endeavors to smoothe a short way to learning, and to erect a durable monument of the language, now it seems to be arriv'd at its acmé, in the reign of king George II. The reader will pardon me, if I take-upon-me to say that I look upon this as a debt to me, and to the public, from all the learned that have not their hands full of more important business.

(i) For example, *academy*, *advértisement*, *hungary*, *old*, *whore*, &c.

(k) For example, *bushop*, *kiver*, *scrouge*, *squencb*, *squeege*, *yern*, *yc*, for *bishop*, *cover*, *crowd*, *quenck*, *squeeze*, *kerb*, *yours*, &c.



quir'd I should) taken-upon-me to fix, what seemd to be best, as a standard: but shall be glad to be better informd, in any particulars, by such as have had more opportunities of knowing what is polite or courtly, or most generally prevailing. Any such intelligence will be gratefully acknowleg'd; and the emendations thereby procur'd, with the reasons for the alterations, inserted in the next edition.

2. *As to the Preferables* in spelling, which I presume will be most controverted; I have (principally) founded my peculiarities on a consideration very reasonable in it-self, and much to the credit of our language; viz. the giving a quick birth to our conceptions, or the saving of time and breath in the uttering of our thoughts. This, Mr *Addison* (spectat. n. 135.) considerd as so great an excellence in our language, that, on account thereof, he is pleas'd to say, he esteemd it a peculiar blessing that he was born an englishman. To verify this observation, he takes notice that we abound in monosyllables, which gives us an opportunity of delivering our thoughts in few sounds; and that, where they are not monosyllables, we often make them so, as much as lies in our power (1) either by the rapidity of pronunciation, as in *órator*, &c. from *orátor*; (2) or by apostrophations, as *drown'd*, &c. for *drowned*; (3) or by abbreviations, as *drowns*, &c. for *drowneth*.—All these alterations, therefore, on his own principles, one would have thought he should have approv'd-of: but, it seems, he lookt upon them

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as liberties that tend to the spoiling of the language; inſomuch as (1) by the firſt, we loſe the grave and ſolemn air of the latin, (2) by the ſecond, we turn a tenth part of our ſmoothest words into ſo many cluſters of conſonants; and (3) by the third, we multiply a letter (s) which was before too frequent in the english tongue; and add to that hiſſing in our language, which is ſo much taken-notice-of by foreigners.—— However, though I revere the authority of that excellent critic, and am captivated with the beautiful manner of his reaſoning; I cannot help thinking (notwithſtanding what he has ſaid) and I believe I may appeal to every unprejudic'd ear, that (1) *orator* is more ſpiritful and ſtriking than *orátor* (2) *drown'd*, more ſtrong and ſonorous than *drowned* (3) and *drowns*, more ſoft and eaſy than *drowneth*: and, conſequently, that theſe modern innovations, in all like caſes, are to be lookt upon as improvements, rather than blemiſhes: ſince, beſides the diſpatch in the conveyance of our thoughts, they have ſuperior beauties in other reſpects alſo.

VI. *Of ſeveral Peculiarities, deſign'd for the improvement of the art; with the reaſons thereof.*

AS to the liberty I have taken, in ſeveral particulars, of differing from other writers on this ſubject; it behoves me to hint the reaſons thereof: and therefore I obſerve,

1. *With regard to ſeveral of the Terms I have made-*

made-use-of, which are new, and therefore may seem uncouth ; such as *tessarasyllables*, *quartacutes*, &c. the critics, I hope, will pardon me ; if they shall find that they are analogically formed, and properly explained ; that they are useful titles of different classes of words ; and that children may easily be brought to use them for that purpose, as readily and familiarly as they learn to distinguish a consonant from a vowel, or a vowel from a diphthong.

2. *The Division of Syllables* is a point, which grammarians have labored with much ostentation of learning ; having given multitudes of rules and exceptions, syzygies, double accents, and I know not what apparatus, to ascertain the thing : but, as every body, that has learnt to read, must know that they neither did (nor indeed could) attend to these niceties in learning ; nor ever reapt any benefit from them afterwards ; I have ventured to drop them ; and have divided the syllables for the use of learners (for whose use alone it is that they are divided at all) in such manner as might best direct to the proper sounds. For example, *aspect* ; though the composition of the word (from the latin *ad*, & *spicere*) and syzygie (viz. *sp*, which may begin a word, and therefore is to begin a syllable) require it, according to the common rules of orthography, to be divided thus, *a-spect* ; I have made bold (in regard to the end for which the division is made) to write it *as-pect*.—Thus Mr Dyche's darling double accent, after the vowel [*a''-spect*] borrowd by

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Mr Dilworth, and others, without acknowledgement; and Mr Brown's mark of short quantity, over the vowel [*Aspect*] appear to be no better than unnecessary appendages, not to say *difficiles nugae*.

3. *For the more commodious Division of Lessons, and the readier Reference to the begining of any*, when several children are directed to read together; I have numberd the lines in every page of the tables that are divided into columns, as also the breaks of those that are divided into paragraphs, which may pass for verses. So that it will be easy to turn to any particular, which one shall be referd-to, by saying (for instance) pag. 2. col. 3. lin. 4. or pag. 90. ver. 45. &c.

4. *Specimens of Lessons*, a thing so usual in spelling-books, that I question whether there be any without some, will, for that very reason (I suppose) be expected here also: the rather, as these are, by some, preferd to the tables: but, as I have not given any with the syllables divided, I am to inform the reader, that, for fear of swelling the work with matters that have no relation to the perfection of the art, I have left-out every thing of that nature: (1) partly, because there is, in several parts of it, variety enough to practise-upon, with greater propriety, and to more advantage, for learners of every sort, from the first beginner to the highest proficient; (2) and, partly, because there are a great many books of that kind, out of which the master, who shall find it convenient,



nient, may choofe what he judges will be moft useful or entertaining.—One of the moft convenient for beginners (1) in profe, is (perhaps) that of *Mr Weald* (in his *Reading made eafy*) who has furnifht us with a pretty large collection of verfes out of the pfalms and new testament, in two parts: the former, containing words of one fyllable only, the latter, having no words above two fyllables: (2) and in poetry, the divine fongs of *Dr Watts*; which, by frequent praftife upon them, they will infenfibly get-by-heart; and fo, be poffefft, betimes, of a treasure of good thoughts, beautifully expreff, and fuited to their capacities.

5. *Lists of Proper names* I have, for the fame reason, alfo, omitted: and the rather, as the pronounciation of them (except fuch common ones as I have taken-notice-of) is, for the moft part, agreeable to the fpelling; and will become eafy to children, without the puzzle of a feries of unmeaning founds, long enough before they can have the leaft occafion to read them.

6. *In regard to the Unlearned*, who are apt to think that their children cannot be taught to fpell without learning latin; I will venture to add, that, by due attention to this fyftem, a perfon of ordinary capacity, at any age, may be enabled to fpell with accuracy, in one year, much better than the generality of trades-folks do, that have fpent 5 or 6 years at the latin fchool, in hopes of making an advantage of what feldom ftands them in any ftend at all.

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VII. Of the manner of using this SPELLING-BOOK, and the conduct of children in this stage of their learning.

FOR the manner of using this SPELLING-BOOK

I shall, here, give directions only in general (*m*); leaving particulars to their proper places; and the accommodating of every branch to the master's discretion.—First then,

1. *To initiate*; instructors may be pleas'd to carry-on their children by gentle degrees proportion'd to their abilities; pronouncing to them a certain portion, till they can imitate the sound (*n*): and inculcating it, till it grows familiar (*o*).—*The lessons*, at first, should, for some time, be  
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(*m*) And I will venture to add, that, by the helps I have here provided, and the conduct I shall recommend, masters of good understanding may do wonders in forwarding their scholars. At the same time, I am sensible that the best means in the world may miscarry in the hands of a bungler. For, though some may make a difficulty of cutting glass with a diamond: any glazier can show that it is not the fault of the tool; but the unskillfulness of the person that uses it.

(*n*) Nor will this be sufficient: every lesson must be repeated, from the beginning, from time to time; till the child can run it all over, without hesitation, or mistake. So, every succeeding lesson will grow easier and easier: and the slower he advances in this manner, the surer will be the foundation, and the quicker his progress, in the issue.

(*o*) *The teaching of children to know the letters*, which is the first step to be taken, is, perhaps, too often defer'd longer than is necessary. The tenderness of parents generally prevents them from sending their children to school so soon as they have a capacity for learning. The fear of accidents, or the severity of a master, confirms them in this resolution: so that two or three years are commonly lost, before a child begins to learn to read.—To remedy this inconvenience, expedients have been thought-of, by which parents, or nurces, and even brothers or sisters, may entice little ones to play themselves into an acquaintance with the names and figures of the letters. The  
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very short; just to let-in a little light, without being irksome: a thing carefully to be guarded against, for fear of oppressing, or alienating their minds, at their first setting out in a carriere of so much moment.—*The intervals* of respite from reading should be filled-up, during the time

great Mr Locke (on education § 150.) recommends an ivory-ball, made like that of the royal-oak lottery with 26 sides. Upon several of these sides paste an A; on others B; and, when the child is perfect in them, then add another; and so on, till, each side having a letter, there be on it the whole alphabet. With this let others play before him, it being as good a sort of play, to lay a stake who shall throw an A or a B; as who, upon dice, shall throw 6, or 7. This being a play amongst you, tempt him not to it, lest you make it business. He should not think it is any thing but a play of older people: and there is no doubt, but he will take to it of himself. And, that he may have the more reason to think it a play which he is sometimes, in favor, admitted to: when the play is done, the ball should be laid-up safe out of his reach; that so it may not, by his having it in his keeping at any time, grow stale to him.

*The next step*, which is *teaching to spell*, children may also be be trayd-into in like manner. On the six sides of a die paste the 6 vowels; and on the sides of three other dice, the consonants: and make it a play, that he shall win, who, at one cast, throws most words upon the four dice.

*When*, by these gentle insinuating ways, *he begins to be able to Read*: some easy pleasant book, suited to his capacity, should be put into his hands; wherein the entertainment, which he finds, may draw-him-on, and reward his pains in reading. For this purpose he may have Æsop's fables; which, being stories that are apt to delight and entertain children, will also afford useful reflections to him, when a man: If his Æsop has pictures in it, it will entertain him much better; and encourage him to read, when it carries the encrease of knowlege with it: for, such visible objects children hear talk of in vain, and without any satisfaction, whilst they have no ideas of them: those ideas being not to be had from sounds; but from the things themselves, or their pictures: and, therefore it would be convenient, as soon as he begins to spell, to get him a variety of pictures with the printed names to them; which, at the same time, will invite him to read, and afford him matter of enquiry and knowlege.

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time appointed for business, with a variety of engagements; to prevent their sinking into a stupid listlessness, or striking out into vain reveries: either of which will turn to ill habits, very pernicious to study, and very difficult to be cur'd.

(1) One of the best engagements, for this purpose, that I know of, is the use of the pen (*p*); which children may, very early, and in a very little time, be taught to handle, to good purpose, by way of diversion. And, by this means, the mind will be kept in a constant pursuit of what is useful, by the interchangeable amusements of writing and reading: the one, to form a right notion of what is new to it; and the other to familiarize, and fix the impression. (2)

Another employment, after this, may be (as they grow able) to get their lessons to spell off-book: of which they may be encourag'd to give an account, in such manner as to vie with one another, in competition for precedency, or premiums. (3.) A third means of making this their business and useful diversion, I find recommended by the ingenious Dr Watts (art of read. p.80.) in the following words: ‘ Two or three scholars

‘ may use the tables of words in a sort of sport,  
‘ or play: and when they ask each other to spell  
‘ them, he that misses not one in ten or twenty,  
shall

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(*p*) Or rather of the *state-pencil*. I have heard, indeed, some of the hypercritics in writing object against the use of the pencil, as prejudicial to the right humoring of the pen: but, whatever they may advance in theory, I am well satisfied, from experience, it is not: and therefore I recommend it as much cleaner, and cleverer, for children to write their exercises with.



‘ shall gain a pin, or two pins, or a marble, or  
 ‘ what other toy they think proper; never ex-  
 ‘ ceeding the value of a farthing.’

2. *To further* such as have made a tolerable proficiency: after they have been acquainted with the nature and use of the points or pauses, they may be heard to read, with punctuality and proper accent, some portion of scripture, or other writings, equal to their capacities, and agreeable to their taste: and, in the intervals, may be oblig’d to get by heart, their catechisms, and bright passages of prose, or poetry; first to be pronounc’d with propriety; and then to be writ on their slates from their memory. In reviewing these exercises, the masters may dash the misspellings, which the child should correct from the book; and (after having got the words so corrected, and rehear’d them to his companion) be oblig’d to enter them fair in a paper-book; some ten or twelve words in a verse: one or more of which verses, distinguish’d by figures (for the readier recourse) may be appointed as lessons, from time to time, for variety of employment in school-hours; or by way of punishment in play time (*q*). And the same method may

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(*q*) *Punishments*, I must observe, should be prevented as much as may be, by good instructions, gentle usage, and cheerful amusements; with condescension to children’s infirmities, and conivance at peccadillos. For, to be often scolding, or scourging, is to alienate, and harden; or to stupify, and confound the senses and, therefore, the most slavish, and ruinous thing, that a master can be guilty of, or that a child can suffer.——But when (for something immoral, or to prevent the growth of ill habits from rambling, idleness, or inattention) it shall become necessary to admonish

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may be observ'd in translations from other languages, when they begin to learn them.

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admonish more severely than by bare remonstrances, and kind exhortations: instead of the rod (in the literal sense) for the fool's back; which is often unfit, and almost always ineffectual; I would recommend something more irksome than a whipping-bout, and more suitable to the dignity of human nature; as well as better calculated to put the child on reflection, without embittering him; at the same time that it may contribute to the improvement of his mind, and the recommendation of his business: ——— What I mean, and have found of excellent use for this purpose, is, to balance accounts with the criminal, by confining him at business, when others go to play. Hereby he will redeem the time he may have lost; and, the more he loves play, the greater will be his care (if he reflects at all on this disgraceful separation from his companions) not to incur a penalty, that gives him so much uneasiness. The fine, I would impose, on this occasion, should be a copy, a sum in arithmetic, in short something that the scholar cannot slubber over, and the master may quickly examin; not to make any breach on the hours of business:

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| <i>Roman.</i> | <i>English.</i> | <i>Italic.</i> | <i>Names.</i> |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| a A           | a A             | a A            | a             |
| b B           | b B             | b B            | bee           |
| c C           | c C             | c C            | see           |
| d D           | d D             | d D            | dce           |
| e E           | e E             | e E            | e             |
| f F           | f F             | f F            | ef            |
| g G           | g G             | g G            | gee           |
| h H           | h H             | h H            | aich          |
| i I           | i I             | i I            | i             |
| j J           | j J             | j J            | jod           |
| k K           | k K             | k K            | cay           |
| l L           | l L             | l L            | el            |
| m M           | m M             | m M            | em            |
| n N           | n N             | n N            | en            |
| o O           | o O             | o O            | o             |
| p P           | p P             | p P            | pee           |
| q Q           | q Q             | q Q            | ku            |
| r R           | r R             | r R            | ar            |
| s S           | s S             | s S            | efs           |
| t T           | t T             | t T            | tee           |
| u U           | u U             | u U            | u             |
| v V           | v V             | v V            | vau           |
| w W           | w W             | w W            | double-u      |
| x X           | x X             | x X            | eks           |
| y Y           | y Y             | y Y            | wi            |
| z Z           | z Z             | z Z            | zad           |

|| CAPITALS begin Periods, and Proper names, &c.\*

s, at the end of a word, is always writ s.

\* *Emphatical* words may also, on some occasions, be distinguished by *capitals*, to advantage.

<sup>1</sup> VOWELS, 7.a e i o u y<sup>3</sup> w<sup>4</sup><sup>2</sup> CONSONANTS, 19.

b c d f g h j k l m n p q r s t v x z

*Joining Letters* 14.

Double { &lt; , ff, fi, fl, fb, fh, fi, fk, fl, ff, ft  
 { &lt;, ff, fi, fl, fb, fh, fi, fk, fl, ff, ft

Treble 3. { fi fl fi  
 { ff fl fi

*Diphthongs*,<sup>5</sup> 25.

in one type, or character, 2 : æ, œ.

writ afunder, 23 : (A) ai, ay, au, aw. (E) ea,  
 ee, ei, eo, eu, ew, ey. (I) ie. (O) oa, oe,  
 oi, ou, ow, oy. (U) ua, ue, ui, uo, uy.

*Triphthongs*,<sup>6</sup> 6.

eau, ieu, iew, uee, uoi, uoy.

## DIÆRESIS

*divides a diphthong into two sounds : the mark is  
 two dots over one of the vowels<sup>7</sup> : as in  
 raphaël, mosaïc, capernäuin.*

<sup>1</sup> *Vowels* are letters, that sound alone.<sup>2</sup> *Consonants* are letters that sound with a vowel.<sup>3</sup> *y* sounds --- before a vowel, as *ee*, rapidly pronounced --- after a letter, as *i*. See p. 3. n. 7.<sup>4</sup> *w* sounds --- before a letter, as *oo*, rapidly pronounced --- after a letter as *u*. See p. 3. n. 6.<sup>5</sup> *Diphthongs* are two vowels in one sound : as *ae* in *caesar* ; and *oe* in *æconomy*.<sup>6</sup> *Triphthongs* are three vowels in one sound : as *iew* in *view*.<sup>7</sup> *Diæresis* (I) is commonly markt on the latter vowel (II) but might better be markt on the former (I) partly to give earlier notice of the two sounds (2) and partly to save the *i* and *u* from being disfigur'd by two dots.



## S Y L L A B L E S \*

## I. OF TWO LETTERS †

1. *The vowel Before.*

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| ab | eb | ib | ob | ub | an | en | in | on | un |
| ac | ec | ic | oc | uc | ap | ep | ip | op | up |
| ad | ed | id | od | ud | ar | er | ir | or | ur |
| af | ef | if | of | uf | as | es | is | os | us |
| ag | eg | ig | og | ug | at | et | it | ot | ut |
| ak | ek | ik | ok | uk | av | ev | iv | ov | uv |
| al | el | il | ol | ul | ax | ex | ix | ox | ux |
| am | em | im | om | um | az | ez | iz | oz | uz |

2. *The vowel After.*

|    |                 |                 |    |    |                  |     |     |     |     |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|----|----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ba | be              | bi              | bo | bu | na               | ne  | ni  | no  | nu  |
| ca | ce <sup>1</sup> | ci <sup>2</sup> | co | cu | pa               | pe  | pi  | po  | pu  |
| da | de              | di              | do | du | qua <sup>5</sup> | que | qui | quo | --- |
| fa | fe              | fi              | fo | fu | ra               | re  | ri  | ro  | ru  |
| ga | ge <sup>3</sup> | gi <sup>4</sup> | go | gu | fa               | fe  | fi  | fo  | fu  |
| ha | he              | hi              | ho | hu | ta               | te  | ti  | to  | tu  |
| ja | je              | ji              | jo | ju | va               | ve  | vi  | vo  | vu  |
| ka | ke              | ki              | ko | ku | wa <sup>6</sup>  | we  | wi  | wo  | wu  |
| la | le              | li              | lo | lu | ya <sup>7</sup>  | ye  | yi  | yo  | yu  |
| ma | me              | mi              | mo | mu | za               | ze  | zi  | zo  | zu  |

\* *A Syllable* is a distinct sound made by one letter alone (as *a, I, O*) or by more letters pronounc'd together.

*A Syllable must not be divided at the end of a line.*

† When the scholar is master of the two following tables, he may (with propriety) pass-on to the first table of monosyllables—And, when he is well acquainted with the two next, he may proceed to the rest of the tables of monosyllables; without giving himself any great trouble about the remaining tables of syllables; which, though necessary to the perfection of the work, may (perhaps) be past-over without much prejudice.

Pronounce <sup>1</sup>fe. <sup>2</sup>fi. <sup>3</sup>je. <sup>4</sup>ji. <sup>5</sup>koo-a. <sup>6</sup>oo-a. <sup>7</sup>ce-a.

qu may pass for one letter, and sound as kw.

## II. OF THREE LETTERS.

1. *A Vowel before two Consonants.*

|                  |     |     |                  |     |                  |     |     |     |     |
|------------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| abs <sup>1</sup> | ebs | ibs | obs              | ubs | ant              | ent | int | ont | unt |
| ach              | ech | ich | och              | uch | aph <sup>3</sup> | eph | iph | oph | uph |
| ack              | eck | ick | ock              | uck | apt              | ept | ipt | opt | upt |
| act              | ect | ict | oct              | uct | arb              | erb | irb | orb | urb |
| aft              | eft | ift | oft              | uft | ard              | erd | ird | ord | urd |
| alb              | elb | ilb | olb              | ulb | arg              | erg | irg | org | urg |
| ald              | eld | ild | old <sup>2</sup> | uld | ark              | erk | irk | ork | urk |
| alf              | elf | ilf | olf              | ulf | arl              | erl | irl | orl | url |
| alk              | elk | ilk | olk              | ulk | arm              | erm | irm | orm | urn |
| all              | ell | ill | oll              | ull | arn              | ern | irn | orn | urn |
| alm              | elm | ilm | olm              | ulm | arp              | erp | irp | orp | urp |
| alp              | elp | ilp | olp              | ulp | ars <sup>1</sup> | ers | irs | ors | urs |
| als <sup>1</sup> | els | ils | ols              | uls | art              | ert | irt | ort | urt |
| alt              | elt | ilt | olt              | ult | ash              | esh | ish | osh | ush |
| amb              | emb | imb | omb              | umb | ask              | esk | isk | osk | usk |
| amp              | emp | imp | omp              | ump | asp              | esp | isp | osp | usp |
| ams <sup>1</sup> | ems | ims | oms              | ums | ast              | est | ist | ost | ust |
| and              | end | ind | ond              | und | ath              | eth | ith | oth | uth |
| ang              | eng | ing | ong              | ung | ats              | ets | its | ots | uts |
| ans <sup>1</sup> | ens | ins | ons              | uns | axt              | ext | ixt | oxt | uxt |

Pronounce <sup>1</sup>s as z. <sup>2</sup>o as oa. <sup>3</sup>ph as f.

2. *Two Consonants before a Vowel.*

|                  |     |     |     |     |                  |                  |                  |      |      |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------------|------------------|------------------|------|------|
| bla              | ble | bli | blo | blu | rha <sup>5</sup> | rhe              | rhi              | rho  | rhu  |
| bra              | bre | bri | bro | bru | fca              | fce <sup>6</sup> | fci <sup>7</sup> | fco  | fcu  |
| cha              | che | chi | cho | chu | sha              | she              | shi              | sho  | shu  |
| cla <sup>1</sup> | cle | cli | clo | clu | fka              | fke              | fki              | fko  | fk u |
| cra              | cre | cri | cro | cru | fla              | fle              | fli              | flo  | flu  |
| dra              | dre | dri | dro | dru | fma              | fme              | fmi              | fmo  | fmu  |
| dwa              | dwe | dwi | dwo | dwu | fna              | fne              | fni              | fno  | fnu  |
| fla              | fle | fli | flo | flu | fpa              | fpe              | fpi              | fpo  | fpu  |
| fra              | fre | fri | fro | fru | fqua             | fque             | fqui             | fquo | ---  |
| gla              | gle | gli | glo | glu | fta              | fte              | fti              | fto  | ftu  |
| gna <sup>2</sup> | gne | gni | gno | gnu | fwa              | fwe              | fwi              | fwo  | fwu  |
| gra              | gre | gri | gro | gru | tha              | the              | thi              | tho  | thu  |
| kna <sup>3</sup> | kne | kni | kno | knu | tra              | tre              | tri              | tro  | tru  |
| pha <sup>4</sup> | phe | phi | pho | phu | twa              | twe              | twi              | two  | twu  |
| pla              | ple | pli | plo | plu | wha <sup>8</sup> | wh e             | whi              | who  | whu  |
| pra              | pre | pri | pro | pru | wra <sup>5</sup> | wre              | wri              | wro  | wru  |

Pronounce <sup>1</sup> tla. <sup>2</sup> nna. <sup>3</sup> hna. <sup>4</sup> fa. <sup>5</sup> ra. <sup>6</sup> fe. <sup>7</sup> fi. <sup>8</sup> hoo-a.

w may pass for a consonant in this list.

## III. OF FOUR LETTERS.

1. *A Vowel before three Consonants.*

|                   |      |      |      |      |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|
| acht              | echt | icht | ocht | ucht |
| acks              | ecks | icks | ocks | ucks |
| acts              | ects | icts | octs | ucts |
| afts              | efts | ifts | ofts | ufts |
| alch              | elch | ilch | olch | ulch |
| alds <sup>1</sup> | elds | ilds | olds | ulds |
| alks              | elks | ilks | olks | ulks |
| ---               | ells | ills | olls | ulls |
|                   |      | B 3  |      | alms |





2. *Three Consonants before a Vowel.*

|                   |      |      |      |      |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|
| chla <sup>1</sup> | chle | chli | chlo | chlu |
| chra <sup>2</sup> | chre | chri | chro | chru |
| phla <sup>3</sup> | phle | phli | phlo | phlu |
| phra <sup>4</sup> | phre | phri | phro | phru |
| fcha <sup>5</sup> | fche | fchi | fcho | fchu |
| scra              | scre | scri | scro | scru |
| shra              | shre | shri | shro | shru |
| spha <sup>6</sup> | sphe | sphi | spho | sphu |
| spla              | sple | spli | splo | splu |
| spra              | spre | spri | spro | spru |
| stra              | stre | stri | stro | stru |
| thla              | thle | thli | thlo | thlu |
| thra              | thre | thri | thro | thru |
| thwa              | thwe | thwi | thwo | thwu |

## IV. OF FIVE LETTERS.

1. *A Vowel before four Consonants.*

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| angth | ength | ingth | ongth | ungth |
| alcht | elcht | ilcht | olcht | ulcht |
| ancht | encht | incht | oncht | uncht |
| areht | ercht | ircht | orcht | ureht |
| arpht | erpht | irpht | orpht | urpht |
| atcht | etcht | itcht | otcht | utcht |

2. *Four Consonants before a Vowel.*

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| schra | schre | schri | schro | schru |
| sphra | sphre | sphri | sphro | sphru |

Pronounce <sup>1</sup>kla. <sup>2</sup>kra. <sup>3</sup>fla. <sup>4</sup>fra. <sup>5</sup>ska. <sup>6</sup>sfa.

# WORDS.

## I. MONOSYLLABLES\*:

### i. Ending in a single Vowel.

ye go ho lo no wo by my why

### ii. Ending in a single Consonant.

|      |      |       |          |      |       |
|------|------|-------|----------|------|-------|
| B    | web  | hob   | tub      | had  | red   |
| Bab  | zeb  | job   | blub     | lad  | ted   |
| cab  | Bib  | lob   | chub     | mad  | wed   |
| dab  | fib  | mob   | club     | pad  | bled  |
| mab  | gib  | rob   | 5 drub   | fad  | bred  |
| nab  | nib  | fob   | frub     | wad  | fled  |
| tab  | rib  | knob  | grub     | brad | shed  |
| blab | crib | squb  | fnub     | clad | fted  |
| crab | drib | throb | ftub     | glad | fped  |
| drab | glib | Bub   | 10 scrub | plad | fhred |
| fcab | squb | cub   | shrub    | shad | Bid   |
| flab | Bob  | dub   | D        | Bed  | did   |
| ftab | cob  | hub   | Bad      | fed  | hid   |
| fwab | fob  | nub   | dad      | led  | kid   |
| Deb  | gob  | rub   | 15 gad   | ned  | lid   |

rid

\* *Monosyllables* are words of one syllable.---NB. (1) These first tables, beside their being a commodious introduction to reading, will also be of use as a list of rhymes; which the reader will find a good deal more copious than those of Poole (in his *parnassus*) and Bysshe (in his *art of poetry*). (2) The plurals of nouns, with the participles, and persons of verbs (here recorded in the theme, or root) will add considerably to the number of the rhymes. Thus, to *ax*, will rhyme the plural of nouns, and the 3d person of verbs in *ack*: as *backs, cracks, &c.*

|      |        |       |         |       |      |
|------|--------|-------|---------|-------|------|
| rid  | brag   | Bog   | ram     | rum   | Ben  |
| chid | crag   | cog   | sam     | fum   | den  |
| quid | drag   | dog   | cram    | chum  | fen  |
| Cod  | flag   | fog   | dram    | crum  | hen  |
| dod  | knag   | gog   | 5 flam  | drum  | ken  |
| god  | shag   | hog   | sham    | glum  | men  |
| hod  | snag   | jog   | swam    | grum  | pen  |
| jod  | stag   | log   | tram    | plum  | ten  |
| nod  | swag   | nog   | Gem     | scum  | wen  |
| pod  | wrag   | clog  | 10 hem  | stum  | then |
| rod  | scrag  | flog  | clem    | fwum  | when |
| fod  | Beg    | frog  | stem    | strum | wren |
| tod  | keg    | prog  | Dim     | thrum | In   |
| clod | leg    | Bug   | him     | N     | bin  |
| plod | meg    | dug   | 15 rim  | An    | din  |
| shod | peg    | hug   | tim     | ban   | fin  |
| trod | dreg   | jug   | brim    | can   | gin  |
| Bud  | Big    | lug   | crim    | dan   | hin  |
| cud  | dig    | mug   | grim    | fan   | jin  |
| mud  | fig    | pug   | 20 prim | man   | kin  |
| scud | jig    | rug   | skim    | nan   | lin  |
| spud | lig    | tug   | slim    | pan   | pin  |
| stud | pig    | drug  | swim    | ran   | fin  |
| G    | rig    | plug  | trim    | tan   | tin  |
| Bag  | wig    | slug  | 25 whim | van   | win  |
| cag  | grig   | smug  | Tom     | wan   | chin |
| fag  | prig   | snug  | from    | bran  | grin |
| gag  | swig   | shrug | Bum     | clan  | shin |
| nag  | trig   | M     | gum     | plan  | skin |
| quag | twig   | Am    | 30 hum  | scan  | spin |
| rag  | whig   | dam   | lum     | span  | thin |
| tag  | spring | ham   | mum     | swan  | twin |
| wag  | wig    | pam   | num     | than  | whin |

|      |       |        |         |       |       |
|------|-------|--------|---------|-------|-------|
| On   | flap  | lop    | Bur     | net   | hot   |
| con  | fnap  | mop    | cur     | pet   | jot   |
| don  | fwap  | pop    | fur     | fet   | lot   |
| yon  | trap  | fop    | hur     | wet   | not   |
| Bun  | wrap  | top    | 5 pur   | yet   | pot   |
| dun  | scrap | chop   | flur    | fret  | quot  |
| fun  | ftrap | crop   | flur    | tret  | rot   |
| gun  | Hep   | drop   | fpur    | whet  | fot   |
| mun  | nep   | flop   | T       | It    | wot   |
| nun  | ftep  | knop   | 10 At   | bit   | blot  |
| pun  | Dip   | prop   | bat     | cit   | clot  |
| run  | hip   | shop   | cat     | fit   | grot  |
| fun  | jip   | flop   | fat     | hit   | knot  |
| tun  | lip   | fstop  | gat     | kit   | plot  |
| fhun | nip   | fstrop | 15 hat  | nit   | fcot  |
| fpun | pip   | Cup    | mat     | pit   | shot  |
| ftun | rip   | sup    | wat     | quit  | fnot  |
| P    | fip   | tup    | pat     | fit   | spot  |
| Cap  | tip   | R      | rat     | tit   | trot  |
| gap  | chip  | Bar    | 20 tat  | wit   | But   |
| hap  | clip  | car    | vat     | chit  | cut   |
| lap  | drip  | far    | wat     | grit  | gut   |
| map  | flip  | jar    | brat    | flit  | hut   |
| nap  | flhip | mar    | chat    | fmit  | jut   |
| pap  | flkip | par    | 25 flat | fpit  | nut   |
| rap  | flip  | tar    | plat    | twit  | put   |
| fap  | fnip  | war    | prat    | whit  | rut   |
| tap  | trip  | char   | squat   | writ  | glut  |
| chap | whip  | scar   | sprat   | split | fcut  |
| clap | fcrip | spar   | 30 Bet  | fpit  | fhut  |
| trap | ftrip | ftar   | jet     | Cot   | flut  |
| flap | Fop   | Fir    | let     | dot   | fmut  |
| knap | hop   | Or     | met     | got   | ftrut |



|     |      |     |      |     |      |
|-----|------|-----|------|-----|------|
| X   | tax  | Sex | mix  | Ox  | fox  |
| Ax  | wax  | vex | fix  | box | pox  |
| bax | flax | Fix | flix | cox | Flux |

iii. *Ending in two Consonants.*

|       |        |       |          |       |        |
|-------|--------|-------|----------|-------|--------|
| Ebb   | thwack | dock  | truck    | whiff | fift   |
| C     | Beck   | hock  | struck   | Off   | drift  |
| Ach   | deck   | lock  | Act      | cloff | shift  |
| chich | keck   | mock  | fact     | scoff | shrift |
| which | neck   | pock  | 5 pact   | Buff  | thrift |
| much  | peck   | rock  | tract    | cuff  | Oft    |
| fuch  | check  | fock  | Sect     | huff  | soft   |
| Back  | speck  | block | Pict     | luff  | croft  |
| cack  | Dick   | clock | strict   | muff  | Tuft   |
| hack  | kick   | crock | 10       | puff  |        |
| jack  | lick   | flock | D        | ruff  | G      |
| lack  | nick   | frock | Add      | bluff | Egg    |
| pack  | pick   | knock | odd      | chuff | clegg  |
| quack | quick  | shock | F        | gruff |        |
| rack  | rick   | smock | 15 Gaff  | snuff | L      |
| fack  | fick   | stock | quaff    | stuff | Alb    |
| tack  | tick   | Buck  | raff     | Aft   | Elb    |
| black | wick   | duck  | chaff    | haft  | Held   |
| clack | brick  | luck  | draff    | raft  | Old    |
| crack | chick  | muck  | 20 graff | wast  | bold   |
| knack | crick  | ruck  | quaff    | craft | cold   |
| slack | prick  | fuck  | staf     | shaft | fold   |
| smack | spick  | tuck  | Tiff     | Eft   | hold   |
| snack | thick  | chuck | cliff    | left  | mold   |
| stuck | trick  | cluck | 25 skiff | cleft | fold   |
| track | thwick | pluck | stiff    | theft | told   |
| wrack | Cock   | stuck | twiff    | lift  | scold  |

|       |        |       |          |        |        |
|-------|--------|-------|----------|--------|--------|
| Elf   | shell  | full  | stilt    | band   | pang   |
| pelf  | smell  | gull  | M        | hand   | rang   |
| seif  | snell  | hull  | Camp     | land   | fang   |
| shelf | spell  | lull  | damp     | rand   | tang   |
| Elk   | swell  | mull  | 5 lamp   | sand   | clang  |
| belk  | Ill    | null  | ramp     | wand   | fang   |
| yelk  | bill   | pull  | vamp     | bland  | twang  |
| whelk | dill   | scull | champ    | brand  | Bing   |
| Bilk  | fill   | trull | clamp    | gland  | ding   |
| milk  | gill   | Elm   | 10 cramp | grand  | ling   |
| silk  | hill   | helm  | stamp    | stand  | ring   |
| wilk  | jill   | whelm | swamp    | strand | sing   |
| Bulk  | kill   | Film  | Hemp     | End    | wing   |
| fulk  | mill   | Ulm   | kemp     | bend   | bring  |
| gulk  | nill   | culm  | 15 Imp   | lend   | cling  |
| hulk  | pill   | Help  | limp     | mend   | sing   |
| sculk | rill   | yelp  | pimp     | rend   | sling  |
| Ell   | fill   | whelp | shrimp   | fend   | sting  |
| bell  | till   | Gulp  | Pomp     | tend   | swing  |
| cell  | will   | Shalt | 20 Bump  | vend   | thing  |
| dell  | chill  | Belt  | dump     | blend  | wring  |
| fell  | drill  | felt  | jump     | spend  | spring |
| gell  | kill   | melt  | mump     | Bond   | string |
| hell  | spill  | pelt  | pump     | fond   | Long   |
| nell  | squill | welt  | 25 rump  | pond   | song   |
| quell | still  | smelt | crump    | strond | prong  |
| fell  | swill  | spelt | frump    | Fund   | wrong  |
| tell  | thill  | Hilt  | plump    | shund  | strong |
| well  | thrill | jilt  | stump    | stund  | throng |
| yell  | shrill | milt  | 30 thump | Bang   | Bung   |
| zell  | Bull   | quilt | trump    | fang   | dung   |
| dwell | cull   | wilt  | N        | gang   | hung   |
| knell | dull   | spilt | And      | hang   | rung   |

fung

|         |        |          |        |       |       |
|---------|--------|----------|--------|-------|-------|
| fung    | sink   | flant    | capt   | popt  | Turf  |
| clung   | tink   | Bent     | gapt   | stopt | scurf |
| flung   | wink   | dent     | lapt   | topt  | Ark   |
| ftung   | blink  | kent     | rapt   | chopt | bark  |
| fwung   | brink  | lent 5   | chapt  | cropt | cark  |
| wrung   | chink  | pent     | clapt  | dropt | dark  |
| sprung  | clink  | rent     | flapt  | propt | hark  |
| ftprung | drink  | sent     | fnapt  | shopt | lark  |
| Bank    | fkink  | tent     | fwapt  | flopt | mark  |
| dank    | flink  | vent 10  | trapt  | stopt | park  |
| hank    | ftink  | went     | wrapt  | R     | clark |
| lank    | think  | scnt     | strapt | Barb  | shark |
| rank    | twink  | shent    | Kept   | garb  | spark |
| fank    | shrink | spent    | wept   | Verb  | stark |
| tank    | Funk   | trent 15 | slept  | Orb   | Jerk  |
| blank   | punk   | Dint     | stept  | Curb  | querk |
| clank   | funk   | hint     | fwapt  | Bard  | yerk  |
| crank   | drunk  | lint     | Dipt   | card  | Cork  |
| drank   | flunk  | mint     | hipt   | hard  | fork  |
| flank   | ftunk  | flint 20 | ript   | lard  | york  |
| frank   | trunk  | scint    | sipt   | nard  | stork |
| plank   | shrink | sprint   | tipt   | pard  | Lurk  |
| prank   | Ann    | stint    | chipt  | ward  | turk  |
| shank   | Ant    | Font     | clipt  | yard  | snurk |
| flank   | cant   | pont 25  | dript  | shard | Carl  |
| spank   | pant   | front    | shipt  | Herd  | marl  |
| ftank   | rant   | Hunt     | skipt  | sherd | snarl |
| thank   | want   | runt     | slipt  | Cord  | Curl  |
| twank   | zant   | blunt    | snipt  | lord  | furl  |
| shrank  | chant  | brunt    | tript  | Curd  | hurl  |
| Ink     | grant  | grunt    | whipt  | Dwarf | purl  |
| link    | plant  | P        | stript | scarf | churl |
| pink    | scant  | Apt 33   | Lopt   | wharf | snurl |

|       |        |          |        |        |       |
|-------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-------|
| Arm   | sharp  | S        | wish   | gasp   | pits  |
| barm  | Querp  | Ash      | Busb   | hasp   | blifs |
| farm  | Thorp  | cash     | hush   | rasp   | fwifs |
| harm  | Bars   | dash     | gush   | wasp   | Bofs  |
| warm  | cars   | gash 5   | push   | clasp  | gofs  |
| charm | jars   | hash     | rush   | grasp  | jofs  |
| swarm | wars   | lash     | tush   | Lisp   | lofs  |
| Term  | stars  | mash     | blush  | wisp   | moſs  |
| sperm | Art    | paſh     | bruſh  | criſp  | rofs  |
| ſtorm | cart   | quaſh    | cruſh  | Cuſp   | fofs  |
| Barn  | dart   | raſh 11  | fluſh  | Aſs    | tofs  |
| darn  | fart   | faſh     | pluſh  | laſs   | croſs |
| warn  | hart   | taſh     | thruſh | maſs   | droſs |
| yarn  | mart   | waſh     | Aſk    | paſs   | gloſs |
| Bern  | part   | claſh 15 | baſk   | braſs  | Buſs  |
| fern  | quart  | crash    | caſk   | claſs  | fuſs  |
| kern  | tart   | flaſh    | laſk   | glaſs  | huſs  |
| yern  | wart   | gnash    | maſk   | grafs  | truſs |
| ſtern | ſmart  | plaſh    | taſk   | Beſs   | Caſt  |
| Corn  | ſtart  | ſhaſh 20 | flaſk  | ceſs   | faſt  |
| horn  | thwart | ſlaſh    | Deſk   | gueſs  | haſt  |
| morn  | Pert   | ſmaſh    | Fiſk   | leſs   | laſt  |
| ſcorn | vert   | ſquaſh   | riſk   | meſs   | maſt  |
| thorn | Dort   | ſwaſh    | brisk  | neſs   | paſt  |
| Urn   | mort   | thraſh   | frisk  | bleſs  | vaſt  |
| burn  | fort   | ſplaſh   | whiſk  | cheſs  | waſt  |
| turn  | tort   | Neſh 27  | Buſk   | dreſs  | blaſt |
| churn | ſhort  | ſleſh    | duſk   | treſs  | Beſt  |
| ſpurn | ſnort  | freſh    | huſk   | ſtreſs | gueſt |
| Carp  | Curt   | threſh   | muſk   | Biſs   | jeſt  |
| harp  | hurt   | Diſh     | ruſk   | hiſs   | leſt  |
| warp  | blurt  | fiſh     | tuſk   | kiſs   | neſt  |
| ſcarp | ſturt  | piſh 33  | Aſp    | miſs   | peſt  |



|       |       |         |        |       |       |
|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|
| quest | dreft | Coft    | ruft   | path  | smith |
| reft  | wreft | loft    | cruft  | fwath | Goth  |
| teft  | Fift  | toft    | truft  | wrath | moth  |
| veft  | lift  | croft   | thruft | Beth  | broth |
| weft  | mift  | froft 5 | T      | heth  | froth |
| yeft  | pift  | Duft    | Bath   | feth  | troth |
| zeft  | wift  | guft    | gath   | teth  | wroth |
| bleft | grift | juft    | hath   | Pith  | Next  |
| cheft | twift | luft    | lath   | fith  | text  |
| creft | wrift | muft 10 | math   | frith | Twixt |

## iv. Ending in three Consonants.

|         |         |           |         |        |
|---------|---------|-----------|---------|--------|
| Belch   | wench   | Bankt     | T       | wretch |
| welch   | trench  | rankt     | Batch   | Itch   |
| squelch | wrench  | flankt    | catch   | bitch  |
| Mileh   | Inch    | frankt    | hatch   | ditch  |
| pilch   | pinch   | thankt 15 | latch   | hitch  |
| Hulch   | winch   | Tenth     | match   | nitch  |
| Filth   | clinch  | R         | patch   | pitch  |
| Hanch   | flinch  | Arch      | watch   | witch  |
| lanch   | Bunch   | march     | cratch  | flitch |
| panch   | dunch   | parch 20  | finatch | flitch |
| blanch  | hunch   | starch    | fnatch  | fwitch |
| branch  | lunch   | Perch     | thatch  | twitch |
| granch  | punch   | Torch     | scratch | Botch  |
| stanch  | Bangd   | feorch    | Etch    | hotch  |
| Bench   | hangd   | Lurch 25  | fetch   | potch  |
| quench  | twangd  | church    | ketch   | notch  |
| tench   | Wrongd  | Corps     | ketch   | footch |
| wench   | throngd | Curft     | vetch   | Dutch  |
| drench  | Bungd   | durft     | fketch  | hutch  |
| french  | dungd   | hurft 30  | ftretch | crutch |

v. *Ending in four Consonants.*

Belcht Length Pincht Parcht Hatcht Pitcht  
 Filcht strengthPuncht percht Fetcht Botcht

vi. *Ending in e mute :*

(1) *After a Vowel.*

doe foe roe toe floe owe. due hue rue sue  
 blue prue glue clue spue true. die hie lie pie  
 rie vie flie frie prie skie flie spie flie trie

(2) *After one Consonant.*

|        |       |        |         |        |       |
|--------|-------|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Babe   | brace | twice  | 5slade  | bode   | G     |
| Glebe  | chace | splice | spade   | code   | Age   |
| Jibe   | grace | thrice | trade   | mode   | cage  |
| bribe  | place | Duce   | Bede    | node   | gage  |
| tribe  | space | bruce  | mede    | rode   | page  |
| scribe | trace | sluce  | 10glede | strode | rage  |
| Lobe   | Ice   | truce  | Bide    | Jude   | fage  |
| robe   | dice  | spruce | hide    | rude   | wage  |
| globe  | lice  | D      | ride    | crude  | stage |
| Cube   | mice  | Bade   | side    | prude  | fwage |
| tube   | nice  | cade   | 15tide  | F      | Huge  |
| C      | rice  | fade   | wide    | Safe   | K     |
| Ace    | sice  | jade   | bride   | chafe  | Ake   |
| dace   | tice  | lade   | chide   | Fife   | bake  |
| face   | vice  | made   | glide   | life   | cake  |
| lace   | price | wade   | 20pride | rife   | lake  |
| mace   | slice | blade  | slide   | wife   | make  |
| pace   | spice | glade  | stride  | knife  | quake |
| race   | trice | shade  | Ode     | strife | rake  |

fake

1 syllable

(ending in e)

Words 17

|        |       |          |        |        |        |
|--------|-------|----------|--------|--------|--------|
| fake   | fluke | mole     | grime  | fine   | tape   |
| take   | L     | pole     | prime  | tine   | chape  |
| wake   | Ale   | sole     | slime  | vine   | crape  |
| blake  | balé  | stole    | Dome   | wine   | grape  |
| brake  | dale  | strolé   | 5 some | brine  | scape  |
| drake  | gale  | Mule     | home   | chine  | shape  |
| flake  | hale  | pule     | pome   | shine  | snape  |
| shake  | male  | rule     | lome   | swine  | scrape |
| slake  | pale  | yule     | tome   | trine  | Pipe   |
| snake  | fale  | M 10     | Fume   | twine  | ripe   |
| spake  | tale  | Came     | plume  | whine  | wipe   |
| stake  | vale  | dame     | spume  | shrine | gripe  |
| Dike   | wale  | fame     | N      | Bone   | snipe  |
| like   | scale | game     | Bane   | cone   | tripe  |
| pike   | shale | lame 15  | cane   | hone   | stripe |
| tike   | stale | name     | dane   | tone   | Cope   |
| spike  | swale | fame     | fane   | zone   | hope   |
| strike | whale | tame     | jane   | crone  | mope   |
| Coke   | File  | blame    | lane   | drone  | pope   |
| joke   | guile | brame    | mane   | prone  | rope   |
| poke   | mile  | flame    | pane   | shone  | slope  |
| yoke   | pile  | frame 22 | vane   | stone  | tope   |
| broke  | tile  | shame    | wane   | throne | grope  |
| choke  | vile  | Theme    | crane  | June   | scope  |
| cloke  | wile  | schème   | plane  | tune   | slope  |
| croke  | smile | Lime     | Dine   | prune  | trope  |
| smoke  | stile | mitme 27 | fine   | P      | R      |
| spoke  | while | rime     | kiné   | Ape    | bare   |
| stoke  | Bole  | time     | line   | cape   | care   |
| Duke   | cole  | chime    | miné   | gape   | dare   |
| luke   | dole  | clime    | nine   | nape   | fare   |
| puke   | hole  | crime 32 | pine   | rape   | hare   |

| 18     | Words  | (ending in e) | 1 syllable         |
|--------|--------|---------------|--------------------|
| mare   | wire   | pure          | grate Lute strive  |
| pare   | shire  | Lyre          | plate mute thrive  |
| rare   | spire  | S             | prate flute Cove   |
| tare   | squire | Base          | skate shute hove   |
| ware   | Ore    | case 5        | flute V jove       |
| blare  | bore   | vase          | state Cave rove    |
| clare  | core   | wase          | Bite gave wove     |
| flare  | fore   | chase         | kite lave clove    |
| glare  | gore   | Dose          | mite pave drove    |
| fcare  | lore   | Use 10        | quite rave grove   |
| share  | more   | cruse         | sute save stove    |
| flare  | pore   | T             | smite wave strove  |
| snare  | tore   | Ate           | snite brave throve |
| spare  | wore   | bate          | spite clave Z      |
| square | yore   | date 15       | trite crave Daze   |
| stare  | frore  | fate          | white grave gaze   |
| sware  | score  | gate          | write knave maze   |
| Ire    | shore  | hate          | thwite shave blaze |
| dire   | snore  | kate          | Dote slave craze   |
| fire   | store  | late 20       | mote stave glaze   |
| hire   | swore  | mate          | note thrave graze  |
| mire   | Ure    | pate          | rote Dive Doze     |
| quire  | cure   | rate          | vote five poze     |
| fire   | dure   | fate          | smote hive gløze   |
| tire   | lure   | tate 25       | wrote drive froze  |

(3) *After two Consonants.*

|       |        |          |        |        |        |
|-------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|
| Badge | ledge  | pledge   | Dodge  | judge  | Hulfe  |
| fadge | fedge  | fledge   | hodge  | drudge | pulfe  |
| madge | wedge  | Fidge    | lodge  | grudge | Dance  |
| Edge  | dredge | ridge 30 | stodge | snudge | lance  |
| hedge | fledge | bridge   | Budge  | trudge | chance |
|       |        |          |        |        | france |



**1 syllable (with diphthongs) Words 19**

|        |        |         |        |        |        |
|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| france | since  | fringe  | Sconse | verge  | parse  |
| glance | wince  | fwinge  | Lapse  | Gorge  | Barse  |
| prance | Dinge  | twinge  | Farce  | Urge   | curse  |
| france | hinge  | springe | Barge  | purge  | nurse  |
| Mince  | finge  | Plunge  | large  | surge  | purse  |
| prince | tinge  | spunge  | charge | spurge | Larve  |
| quince | cringe | Rinse   | Serge  | Arse   | starve |

**vii. Consisting of Diphthongs.**

**A**

**(ai)**

|                    |       |         |       |        |        |
|--------------------|-------|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| Aid                | pail  | maim    | blain | train  | fair   |
| maid               | quail | claim   | brain | twain  | hair   |
| braid <sup>r</sup> | rail  | Cain 10 | chain | sprain | lair   |
| Waif               | fail  | fain    | drain | strain | pair   |
| Ail                | tail  | gain    | grain | Faint  | chair  |
| bail               | wail  | lain    | plain | paint  | stair  |
| fail               | flail | main    | skain | quaint | Bait   |
| hail               | frail | pain 15 | flain | faint  | wait   |
| jail               | snail | rain    | spain | taint  | plait  |
| mail               | trail | vain    | stain | plaint | strait |
| nail               | Aim   | wain    | swain | Air    | Faith  |

**(au)**

|      |      |      |      |       |      |      |
|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|
| Daub | Baud | laud | maud | fraud | Gaul | paul |
|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|

**(aw)**

|     |     |      |        |      |       |
|-----|-----|------|--------|------|-------|
| Aw  | law | faw  | 20claw | gnaw | straw |
| daw | maw | taw  | craw   | shaw | Awl   |
| haw | paw | yaw  | draw   | spaw | bawl  |
| jaw | raw | chaw | flaw   | thaw | cawl  |
|     |     |      |        |      | mawl  |

\* Rhymes to these are the past forms of verbs in *ay*,  
*ey*, *eigh* : as *layd*, *conveyd*, *weighd*.

20 *Words* (with diphthongs) f syllable

|       |        |        |      |       |        |
|-------|--------|--------|------|-------|--------|
| mawl  | yawl   | fquawl | dawn | fawn  | prawn  |
| brawl | fpawl  | Hawm   | fawn | yawn  | fpawn  |
| crawl | fcrawl | shawm  | lawn | brawn | thawn  |
| drawl | fprawl | Awn    | pawn | drawn | strawn |

(ay)

|     |     |      |    |      |       |       |
|-----|-----|------|----|------|-------|-------|
| Ay  | kay | fay  | 5  | dray | flay  | fpray |
| bay | lay | way  |    | flay | fpay  | flray |
| day | may | blay |    | fray | flay  | Layd  |
| gay | nay | bray |    | gray | fway  | payd  |
| hay | pay | clay |    | play | tray  | playd |
| jay | ray | cray | 10 | pray | fplay | prayd |

E

(ea)

|        |        |        |          |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|
| Pea    | lead   | fqueak | team     | ftean  | Beat   |
| fea    | mead   | Beal   | bream    | Heap   | feat   |
| tea    | flead  | deal   | cream    | reap   | heat   |
| yea    | knead  | heal   | dream    | cheap  | meat   |
| flea   | plead  | meal   | 15 gleam | Peas   | neat   |
| plea   | Leaf   | neal   | fteam    | feas   | peat   |
| Peace  | fheaf  | peal   | fcream   | fleas  | feat   |
| Each   | Beak   | feal   | fstream  | pleas  | bleat  |
| beach  | leak   | teal   | Bean     | Cease  | cheat  |
| leach  | peak   | weal   | 20 dean  | leafe  | great  |
| peach  | weak   | zeal   | lean     | creafe | treat  |
| reach  | bleak  | fqueal | mean     | greafe | wheat  |
| teach  | break  | fteal  | quean    | Leash  | Heath  |
| bleach | creak  | wheal  | wean     | East   | fheath |
| breach | freak  | Beam   | yea      | beaft  | Heave  |
| preach | fneak  | ream   | 26 clean | feast  | leave  |
| Bead   | fpreak | fseam  | glean    | least  | weave  |

Bee

(ee)

|         |       |        |           |       |         |
|---------|-------|--------|-----------|-------|---------|
| Bee     | Deed  | Leek   | steel     | sleep | meet    |
| fee     | feed  | meek   | wheel     | steep | fleet   |
| lee     | heed  | peek   | Deem      | fwEEP | gleet   |
| fee     | meed  | feek   | seem      | Beer  | greet   |
| flee    | need  | week   | 5 teem    | deer  | sheet   |
| free    | reed  | cheek  | Keen      | geer  | fleet   |
| glee    | feed  | creek  | queen     | jeer  | sweet   |
| knee    | weed  | greek  | seen      | leer  | street  |
| tree    | bleed | sleek  | ween      | peer  | Teeth   |
| three   | breed | screek | screen    | queer | Beeve   |
| Fleece  | creed | Feel   | 11 spleen | feer  | reeve   |
| greece  | freed | heel   | Deep      | veer  | sleeve  |
| Beech   | speed | keel   | keep      | cheer | Breeze  |
| leech   | steed | peel   | peep      | steer | freeze  |
| creech  | tweed | reel   | weep      | Beet  | sneeze  |
| speech  | Beef  | weel   | 16 creep  | feet  | squeeze |
| screech | reef  | kneel  | sheep     | leet  | wheeze  |

(ei)

vein

(eo)

george

(eu)

feud rheum

(ew)

|     |      |      |         |       |       |
|-----|------|------|---------|-------|-------|
| Dew | new  | chew | knew    | scREW | brewd |
| few | pew  | crew | shew    | shrew | stewd |
| hew | yew  | drew | skew    | strew | Hewn  |
| jew | blew | flew | 21 flew | threw | shewn |
| mew | brew | grew | stew    | Lewd  | Newt  |

(ey)

Bey

dey

grey

trey

whey

22 *Words* (with diphthongs) 1 syllable

I

(ie)

|       |       |        |        |        |        |
|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Piece | chief | siege  | yield  | Fierce | Priest |
| Fief  | thief | Shriek | shield | pierce | Grieve |
| brief | Liege | Field  | Fiend  | tierce | thieve |

O

(oa)

|        |       |       |       |       |        |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Coach  | road  | Coal  | Joan  | hoar  | boat   |
| loach  | toad  | foal  | loan  | roar  | coat   |
| poach  | woad  | goal  | moan  | foar  | goat   |
| roach  | Loaf  | foal  | roan  | Boast | moat   |
| bleach | Oak   | shoal | groan | coast | blat   |
| broach | foak  | Foam  | foan  | roast | float  |
| Goad   | croak | loam  | Oar   | toast | float  |
| load   | foak  | roam  | boar  | Oat   | throat |

(oi)

|        |      |       |       |       |       |
|--------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Voice  | boil | quoil | spoil | groin | Foist |
| choice | coil | foil  | Foin  | Joint | joist |
| Void   | foil | toil  | join  | point | moist |
| Oil    | moil | broil | loin  | Hoise | Poize |

(oo)

|       |       |        |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Food  | look  | tool   | groom | foop  | noose |
| mood  | nook  | fool   | Boon  | droop | Boot  |
| rood  | rook  | school | moon  | floop | coot  |
| brood | took  | Boom   | noon  | stoop | hoot  |
| Hoof  | brook | coom   | foom  | troop | moot  |
| loof  | crook | doom   | spoon | whoop | root  |
| woof  | shook | loom   | swoon | Boor  | shoot |
| proof | snook | room   | Coop  | moor  | Sooth |
| Book  | Cool  | bloom  | hoop  | poor  | tooth |
| cook  | fool  | broom  | loop  | Goose | Ooze  |
| hook  | pool  | gloom  | poop  | loose | booze |

Ouch



(ou)

|        |         |        |       |        |        |
|--------|---------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| Ouch   | stroud  | hound  | lour  | chouse | scout  |
| couch  | Foul    | mound  | pour  | Out    | shout  |
| pouch  | joul    | pound  | four  | bout   | snout  |
| vouch  | Noun    | round  | flour | gout   | spout  |
| crouch | Ounce   | found  | scour | lout   | stout  |
| flouch | bounce  | wound  | Douse | pout   | trout  |
| Loud   | flounce | ground | house | rout   | sprout |
| cloud  | trounce | Count  | louse | clout  | Louth  |
| croud  | Bound   | mount  | mouse | flout  | mouth  |
| proud  | found   | Our    | rouse | grout  | fouth  |

(ow)

|      |      |       |       |       |        |
|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Blow | grow | fnow  | mow   | mown  | known  |
| crow | know | ftow  | Flowd | fown  | shown  |
| flow | show | trow  | glowd | blown | thrown |
| glow | flow | throw | Own   | grown | Growth |

(oy)

Boy coy foy hoy joy moy noy toy cloy Loyd

(ua) (ue) U (ui) (uy)

guard--gues gues--build guide guile guilt--guy

viii. *Consisting of Triphthongs.*

|       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| (eau) | (ieu) | (iew) | (uoi) | (uoy) |
| beau  | lieu  | view  | quoit | buoy  |

## II. POLYSYLLABLES

*words of more than one syllable:**Oxytones*: that have the *accent*<sup>1</sup> on the last  
[syllable:]*Barytones*: that have the accent on some other*Penacutes*: on the last-syllable-but-one:*Ternacutes*: on the third from the last:*Quartacutes*: on the fourth from the last<sup>2</sup>.*Quintacutes*: on the fifth from the last<sup>2</sup>.*i. Dissyllables: (1) Oxytones.*

|          |            |          |          |
|----------|------------|----------|----------|
| A-base   | ac-cess    | ad-mit   | a-go     |
| a-bate   | ac-cord    | ad-opt   | a-gree   |
| ab-hor   | ac-count   | ad-vance | a-ground |
| a-bide   | ac-crue    | ad-verse | a-larm   |
| ab-jure  | ac-quaint  | af-fect  | a-las    |
| a-bode   | ac-quit 6  | af-fix   | a-like   |
| a-bound  | ad-here    | af-lict  | a-live   |
| a-bout   | ad-join    | af-front | al-lude  |
| ab-stain | ad-jure    | a-fore   | al-lure  |
| ab-surd  | ad-just 10 | a-fraid  | a-lost   |
| ac-cept  | ad-mire    | a-fresh  | a-lone   |

a-

<sup>1</sup> *Accent* is the stress, or force of the voice, upon one syllable more than another, in the pronunciation of a word. Thus some say *advertisement*, placing the accent on the penultim, or last-but-one: some *adver-tisement*, placing the accent on the antepenultim, or last-but-two.

<sup>2</sup> *Ultrapenacutes*, that remove the accent as far as the 4th syllable (as in *continually*) or the 5th (as in *necessarily*) are very rare; and not to be compact but by a quick run of the subsequent syllables.

|           |            |            |           |
|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| a-long    | a-stray    | be-rest    | de-clare  |
| a-loof    | at-one     | be-ſeech   | de-cree   |
| a-loud    | at-tack    | be-ſeem    | de-face   |
| a-mend    | at-tain    | be-ſet     | de-fame   |
| a-merce   | at-tend 5  | be-ſides   | de-feat   |
| a-miſs    | at-teſt    | be-ſpeak   | de-fence  |
| a-noint   | at-tire    | be-ſtow    | de-flour  |
| a-non     | at-tract   | be-take    | de-fraud  |
| a-pace    | a-vaſt     | be-think   | de-fray   |
| a-part    | a-venge 10 | be-times   | de-gree   |
| a-piece   | a-verſe    | be-tray    | de-ject   |
| ap-peal   | a-vert     | be-troth   | de-lay    |
| ap-peaſe  | aug-ment   | be-tween   | de-lude   |
| ap-plaud  | a-vail     | be-twixt   | de-mand   |
| ap-ply    | a-void 15  | be-wail    | de-mean   |
| ap-point  | a-vouch    | be-ware    | de-mure   |
| ap-proach | auſ-tere   | be-witch   | de-nounce |
| ar-gue    | a-wake     | be-wray    | de-ny     |
| ar-ray    | a-ware     | be-yond    | de-part   |
| ar-reſt   | a-way 20   | blaſ-pheme | de-pend   |
| a-ſcend   | Bab-oon    | bri-gade   | de-prave  |
| aſ-cribe  | be-came    | buſ-foon   | de-privè  |
| a-ſide    | be-fall    | ca-bal     | de-ride   |
| a-ſleep   | be-fore    | car-bine   | de-rive   |
| aſ-pire   | be-gan 25  | ca-refs    | de-ſcant  |
| aſ-fault  | be-got     | ca-reer    | de-ſcend  |
| aſ-fay    | be-guile   | cre-ate    | de-ſcribe |
| aſ-ſent   | be-held    | De-baſe    | de-ſiſt   |
| aſ-ſeſs   | be-hind    | de-bate    | de-ſpair  |
| aſ-ſiſt   | be-long 30 | de-camp    | de-ſtroy  |
| aſ-ſoon   | be-mire    | de-cay     | de-tain   |
| aſ-ſume   | be-moan    | de-ceaſe   | de-ter    |
| aſ-ſwage  | be-reave   | de-ceit    | de-tract  |

| 26         | Words       | (oxytones) | 2 syllables |
|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| de-throne  | ex-clude    | im-peach   | Neg-lect    |
| de-vise    | ex-cuse     | im-pede    | O-bey       |
| de-voir    | ex-hale     | im-plore   | ob-scene    |
| de-vote    | ex-haust    | im-pure    | ob-scure    |
| de-vour    | ex-pect 5   | im-pute    | ob-struct   |
| de-vout    | ex-pel      | in-cline   | ob-tain     |
| dis-creet  | ex-pense    | in-clude   | ob-trude    |
| dis-patch  | ex-pert     | in-crease  | oc-cur      |
| dis-pense  | ex-pire     | in-croach  | of-fense    |
| dis-perse  | ex-plain 10 | in-deed    | op-press    |
| dis-please | ex-ploit    | in-dorse   | or-dain     |
| dis-pute   | ex-port     | in-duce    | out-run     |
| dis-til    | ex-pose     | in-dulge   | Par-ole     |
| dis-turb   | ex-pound    | in-fer     | per-ceive   |
| dis-train  | ex-press 15 | in-flame   | per-due     |
| div-ert    | ex-tend     | in-flict   | per-form    |
| div-est    | ex-tinct    | in-form    | per-fume    |
| div-ide    | ex-tol      | in-fringe  | per-haps    |
| div-ine    | ex-treme    | in-nate    | per-mit     |
| E-lect     | Fo-ment 20  | in-fert    | per-plex    |
| e-rect     | for-bid     | in-fist    | per-list    |
| e-scape    | fore-know   | in-spect   | per-tain    |
| e-schew    | fore-seen   | in-spire   | per-vert    |
| e-spy      | fore-tel    | in-struct  | pol-lute    |
| es-say     | fore-warn   | in-sult    | por-tend    |
| e-state    | for-lorn 26 | in-tend    | pre-dict    |
| e-steam    | for-sake    | in-treat   | pre-fer     |
| e-vent     | forth-with  | in-trench  | pre-fix     |
| e-vert     | Gen-teel    | in-vade    | pre-pare    |
| ex-ceed    | Him-felf 30 | in-vent    | pre-sage    |
| ex-cel     | Im-bibe     | in-volve   | pre-tense   |
| ex-cept    | im-mense    | La-ment    | pre-vail    |
| ex-cels    | im-part     | Ma-ture    | pre-vent    |

pro-



|           |           |               |             |
|-----------|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| pro-ceed  | re-frain  | re-quest      | fuc-ceed    |
| pro-claim | re-fresh  | re-quire      | fuc-cess    |
| pro-cure  | re-fund   | re-quite      | fuc-cinct   |
| pro-duce  | re-fute   | re-spect      | fug-gest    |
| pro-fane  | re-gain   | 5 re-sponse   | sup-plant   |
| pro-fess  | re-gard   | re-store      | sup-ply     |
| pro-found | re-ject   | re-strain     | sup-port    |
| pro-fuse  | re-joice  | re-tain       | sup-prefs   |
| pro-long  | re-lapse  | re-tard       | sur-crease  |
| pro-mote  | re-late   | 10 re-tire    | su-preme    |
| pro-pense | re-lease  | re-treat      | sur-mount   |
| pro-tect  | re-lent   | re-trieve     | sur-round   |
| pro-test  | re-lief   | re-turn       | sus-pect    |
| pro-tract | re-lie    | re-veal       | sus-pense   |
| pro-vide  | re main   | 15 re-venge   | sus-tain    |
| pro-voke  | re-miss   | re-verse      | tra-duce    |
| pur-sue   | re-mit    | re-view       | tran-scend  |
| Re-bound  | re-morse  | re-vile       | trans-form  |
| re-buke   | re-mote   | re-voke       | trans-gress |
| re-cant   | re-new    | 20 re-ward    | trans-late  |
| re-ceive  | re-nounce | Sa-lute       | tre-pan     |
| re-cess   | re-nown   | se-cure       | Vouch-safe  |
| re-claim  | re-pair   | se-date       | Un-clean    |
| re-cord   | re-pay    | se-duce       | u-nite      |
| re-count  | re-peal   | 25 sin-cere   | un-just     |
| re-cruit  | re-peat   | fix-teen      | un-known    |
| re-deem   | re-pel    | sub-due       | un-lade     |
| re-dound  | re-pent   | sub-orn       | un-less     |
| re-dress  | re-pine   | sub-mit       | un-loose    |
| re-fer    | re-plier  | 30 sub-scribe | un-ripe     |
| re-fine   | re-proach | sub-sist      | un-fit      |
| re-flect  | re-proof  | sub-tract     | un-wise     |
| re-form   | re-pute   | sub-vert      | u-surp      |

2. *Penacutes.*

|                 |             |            |             |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| <b>A</b> B-ject | car-go      | Fab-ric    | hire-ling   |
| ab-sent         | cav-il      | faith-ful  | horse-leech |
| ac-cent         | cheer-ful   | fal-low    | hurt-ful    |
| a-cid           | cher-ish    | fat-ling   | Im-pulse    |
| a-corn          | chef-nut 5  | fer-vent   | in-cense    |
| ad-vent         | chur-lish   | fin-ish    | in-cest     |
| a-ged           | ciel-ing    | flor-id    | in-quest    |
| a-gent          | civ-il      | flu-ent    | in-side     |
| a-gue           | cli-ent     | fool-ish   | in-stinct   |
| am-bush         | cof-fin 10  | fore-cast  | Ja-cinth    |
| an-guish        | con-cord    | fore-skin  | jer-kin     |
| an-them         | con-course  | for-mer    | joc-und     |
| an-tic          | con-sort    | frag-ment  | joy-ful     |
| an-vil          | con-trite   | fur-bish   | judg-ment   |
| a-pish          | cred-it 15  | fur-long   | Kin-dred    |
| ar-dent         | crook-ed    | fur-nish   | Lap-wing    |
| ar-gue          | cu-bit      | Gain-ful   | lav-ish     |
| as-pect         | cuck-oo     | gar-lick   | law-ful     |
| au-dit          | cum-min     | gar-ment   | len-tils    |
| Ba-nish         | cun-ning 20 | gar-nish   | lim-it      |
| bank-ing        | Dan-driff   | gi-ant     | lin-guist   |
| bank-rupt       | dar-ling    | glean-ing  | lo-cust     |
| bap-tism        | del-uge     | goat-ish   | lowr-ing    |
| blem-ish        | dis-cord    | gran-deur  | lust-ful    |
| bod-kin         | doc-trin 25 | grey-hound | lu-string   |
| bran-dish       | dole-ful    | Hab-it     | Man-drake   |
| bru-tish        | dol-phin    | hail-stone | man-ner     |
| bul-rush        | dry-shod    | hate-ful   | mar-gin     |
| bum-kin         | E-dict      | ha-tred    | ma-trix     |
| bur-nish        | em-pire 30  | her-ring   | mid-wife    |
| Cab-in          | er-min      | hick-up    | mil-dew     |
|                 |             |            | mind-       |

|            |             |            |             |
|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| min-cing   | pee-vish    | ru-in      | ti-dings    |
| min-im     | per-ish     | Sab-bath   | tink-ling   |
| mo-ment    | pil-grim    | sack-but   | tis-sue     |
| morn-ing   | pip-kin     | sa-crist   | top-ic      |
| mot-to     | pip-pin 5   | san-guin   | traf-ic     |
| Nap-kin    | pot-herd    | shame-ful  | trav-erse   |
| need-ful   | pre-cept    | sher-if    | tri-umph    |
| non-sense  | prim-rose   | ship-board | tu-lip      |
| nut-meg    | prod-uct    | ship-wrack | tu-mult     |
| Ob-ject    | prof-it 10  | shil-ling  | Val-ue      |
| off-spring | prof-ect    | sin-ew     | van-ish     |
| oint-ment  | prov-ince   | sin-ful    | van-quish   |
| of-pray    | pru-dence   | sol-id     | var-nish    |
| of-trich   | pul-pit     | for-did    | ver-min     |
| out-cast   | pun-ish 15  | stab-lish  | vest-ment   |
| out-side   | Quag-mire   | stan-za    | vom-it      |
| pain-ful   | quick-sand  | sti-pend   | up-right    |
| par-boil   | Rain-bow    | strip-ling | up-roar     |
| parch-ment | rap-id      | sub-urbs   | ur-chin     |
| par-ish    | rat-ling 20 | suck-ling  | ur-gent     |
| par-tridge | rav-ish     | ful-phur   | Wel-fare    |
| pat-ent    | ref-uge     | fur-name   | witch-craft |
| pave-ment  | rel-ish     | Tack-ling  | wo-ful      |
| pay-ment   | ref-cue     | tem-pest   | wrath-ful   |
| pea-cock   | rub-bish 25 | thank-ful  | wrong-ful   |

## ii. TRISYLLABLES:

## 1. Oxytones.

|                     |                |              |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------|
| <b>A</b> M-bus-cade | ca-val-cade    | com-pre-hend |
| ap-per-tain         | cir-cum-cise   | con-tra-dict |
| ap-pre-hend         | cir-cum-scribe | con-de-scend |
| Cap-a-pee           | cir-cum-vent   | cor-re-spond |

30    *Words*    (oxytones)    3 syllables

|               |               |                |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| coun-ter-mand | in-ter-sect   | pi-o-neer      |
| coun-ter-mine | in-ter-sperse | pre-ma-ture    |
| coun-ter-vail | in-ter-vene   | pri-va-teer    |
| Dom-in-eer    | in-ter-weave  | re-as-sume     |
| duc-a-toon    | in-tro-duce   | re-cog-nize 5  |
| En-ter-tain   | Mac-a-roon    | re-im-burse    |
| Im-ma-ture    | O-ver-charge  | re-in-force    |
| im-por-tune   | o-ver-flow    | re-in-state    |
| in-ter-cede   | o-ver-laid    | re-par-tee     |
| in-ter-cept   | o-ver-seer    | Ser-e-nade 10  |
| in-ter-fere   | o-ver-spread  | There-up-on    |
| in-ter-line   | o-ver-thrown  | Vi-o-lin       |
| in-ter-mix    | o-ver-whelm   | vol-un-teer    |
| in-ter-pose   | Par-a-mount   | Un-der-mine    |
| in-ter-rupt   | per-se-vere   | un-gen-teel 15 |

2. *Penacutes.*

|                   |               |               |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>A</b> B-ol-ish | con-tent-ment | I-de-a        |
| ad-ja-cent        | con-tin-ue    | in-cum-bent   |
| ac-com-plish      | de-co-rum     | in-dul-gent   |
| ad-mon-ish        | de-lin-quent  | in-hab-it     |
| a-gree-ment       | de-mol-ish    | in-her-it 20  |
| a-maze-ment       | dim-in-ish    | in-sip-id     |
| a-part-ment       | do-mes-tic    | in-trin-sic   |
| ap-point-ment     | E-mer-gent    | in-val-id     |
| af-fec-tion       | e-nor-mous    | Out-land-ish  |
| a-ston-ish        | e-stab-lish   | Pro-hib-it 25 |
| a-tone-ment       | ex-hib-it     | Re-lin-quish  |
| au-then-tic       | ex-tin-guish  | re-plen-ish   |
| Bra-va-do         | ex-trin-sic   | re-plev-in    |
| Clan-des-tin      | Fan-tas-tic   | re-tin-ue     |
| co-he-rent        | Grä-na-do     | re-ven-ue 30  |

Tar-



3 syllables

(penacutes)

Words 31

Tar-pau-lin  
trans-pa-rent

Vice-ge-rent  
Un-mind-ful

un-skil-ful  
un-thank-ful

3. Ternacutes.

**A**B-so-lute  
a-li-en

al-im-ent

ap-pe-tite

a-que-duct

ar-gu-ment

au-tho-rize

Ban-ish-ment

bar-ba-rism

ben-e-fit

blef-fed-ness

blun-der-bufs

blun-der-ing

boun-ti-ful

Cau-ter-ize

cer-tif-ie

cir-cum-flex

cir-cum-spect

clar-if-ie

com-pe-tent

com-plim-ent

con-cu-bine

con-fid-ence

con-se-quence

con-stit-ute

con-tin-ence

cor-pu-lent

croc-o-dile

cru-cif-ie

Dam-nif-ie

de-if-ie

des-tit-ute

det-rim-ent

di-a-dem

di-a-lect

dif-fic-ult

dif-fid-ent

dil-i-gence

dif-so-lute

doc-u-ment

E-dif-ie

el-e-ment

el-o-quence

em-bry-o

em-in-ent

em-pha-sis

en-ter-prize

ev-id-ence

ex-cel-lent

ex-cre-ment

ex-e-cute

Fer-u-la

fif-tu-la

for-tif-ie

frank-in-cense

frau-du-lent

fruc-tif-ie

fun-da-ment

Gen-u-in

gov-ern-ment

5 grat-it-ude

Hom-i-cide

Im-mi-nent

im-ple-ment

im-po-tent

10 im-pu-dent

in-cid-ent

in-di-gent

in-no-cent

in-so-lent

15 in-stit-ute

in-ter-courfe

in-ter-est

in-ter-view

Kil-der-kin

20 Lab-yr-inth

lat-it-ude

log-a-rithm

lon-git-ude

lu-na-tic

25 Mag-nif-ie

man-if-est

man-u-script

mat-ri-cide

mer-cif-ul

30 mol-lif-ie

mon-u-ment

mor-

32 *Words*

(ternacutes)

3 syllables

|              |              |               |    |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|----|
| mor-tif-ie   | pol-it-ie    | strat-a-gem   |    |
| moun-te-bank | prev-a-lent  | stu-pif-ie    |    |
| mul-tit-ude  | prof-tit-ute | sub-se-quent  |    |
| Neg-li-gent  | pun-ish-ment | sup-ple-ment  |    |
| no-tif-ie    | pu-rif-ie    | fyl-lo-gifin  | 5  |
| nu-trim-ent  | pu-trif-ie   | fym-pa-thize  |    |
| Oc-u-list    | pyr-a-mid    | Tem-po-rize   |    |
| op-u-lent    | Qual-if-ie   | tes-ta-ment   |    |
| or-na-ment   | Ra-di-us     | tes-tif-ie    |    |
| or-tho-dox   | rec-tif-ie   | tur-bu-lent   | 10 |
| Pa-cif-ie    | reg-im-ent   | tur-pen-tine  |    |
| par-a-dise   | ret-ro-grade | tur-pit-ude   |    |
| par-a-dox    | rev-e-rend   | ty-ran-nize   |    |
| par-a-graph  | ru-dim-ents  | Vac-u-um      |    |
| par-al-lel   | Sac-ra-ment  | vag-a-bond    | 15 |
| par-a-phraze | fanc-tif-ie  | ver-de-grease |    |
| ped-ef-tal   | far-a-band   | vil-if-ie     |    |
| ped-i-gree   | fat-is-fie   | vi-o-lence    |    |
| per-se-cute  | fer-vi-tude  | vi-o-lent     |    |
| per-tin-ent  | sim-il-e     | Un-a-wares    | 20 |
| pes-til-ence | spe-cif-ie   | u-nic-orn     |    |
| plen-tif-ul  | stig-ma-tize | u-niv-erse    |    |

## iii. TESSARASYLLABLES:

1. *Oxytones.*

|               |                |    |
|---------------|----------------|----|
| AN-im-ad-vert | Le-ger-de-main |    |
| av-er-du-pois | Su-per-a-bound |    |
| Ca-rab-in-er  | fu-per-in-duce | 25 |
| El-e-cam-pane | fu-per-in-tend |    |
| Ga-bi-o-nade  | Ul-tra-ma-rine |    |

2. *Pe-*

2. *Penacutes.*A C-a-dem-ic  
af-fid-a-vit

an-a-bap-tist

an-te-ce-dent

ar-o-mat-ic

Be-a-tif-ic

bar-ric-a-do

bas-tin-a-do

Cal-im-an-co

car-o-li-na

con-de-scend-ing

cor-re-spond-ent

Dan-de-li-on

dis-con-tin-ue

E-van-gel-ic

e-ver-last-ing

Hal-le-lu-jah

In-con-sist-ent

in-de-pend-ent

Man-i-fest-o

math-e-mat-ics

mar-a-ve-dis

mem-o-rand-um

Non-con-for-mist

not-with-stand-ing

O-ver-cloud-ed

Pan-e-gyr-ic

pat-ro-nym-ic

pe-do-bap-tism

per-if-tal-tic

phi-lo-soph-ic

The-o-ret-ic

Un-con-demn-ed

un-de-fi-led

5

10

15

3. *Ternacutes.*A N-al-yf-is  
ap-oc-a-lypse

Be-at-it-ude

In-dem-nif-ic

Punc-til-i-o

Sim-il-it-ude

Vi-cis-sit-ude

Un-pun-ish-ed

20

4. *Quartacutes.*

Ab-dic-a-ting

Het-er-o-dox

Sep-ar-a-tist

## iv. PENTASYLLABLES.

1. *Penacutes.*

Ap-oc-a-lyp-tic

Hi-er-o-glyph-ic

2. *Ternacutes.*

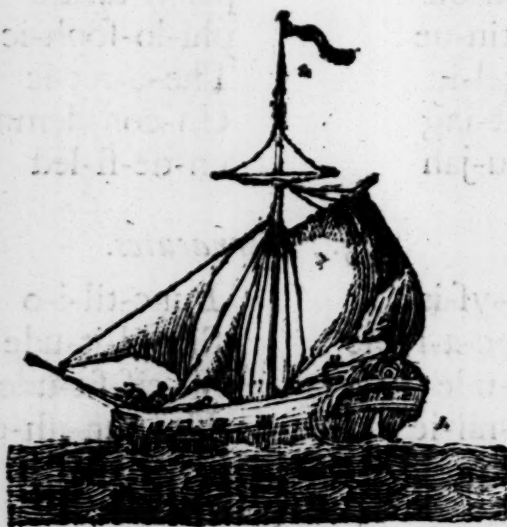
An-a-them-a-tize

Re-e-stab-lish-ment

ex-tra-va-sa-ted

3. *Quartacutes.*

Ex-ten-u-a-ting | ex-ul-cer-a-ted | re-gen-er-a-ted





THE  
READING\*-BOOK:  
OR  
EXCEPTIONS  
FROM THE  
spelling-book-sounds  
OF  
Letters and Syllables:

SOME OF WHICH ARE  
*more Simple*; and may conveniently be learnt  
by a single direction.

OTHERS  
*more Complex*; and may better be explained  
by being cast into phrases.

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To which is Subjoind

A N

APPENDIX  
Of Several useful Observables.

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\* In this part, which is designd for the use of those, who are well acquainted with the former.—The syllables are undivided, to leave scope for application, and experiment; but—The accent is markt, to prevent a mispronunciation, which can only be guarded-against by experience.

NB. The words, that have no accent, are pénacute.

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*from the spelling-book-sounds of letters, &c.*

## A

*sounds like*

aw (1) *before* - ld and - ll : as bald, ball, &c. (2) *in* also, always, balm, exalt, false, halt, malt, want, scalp, salt, swap, war, ward, warm, was, what.

ai (1) *before* - nge *soft* : as change, changes, changeth, changed, changer, changing, changeling, &c. (2) *before* - ste : as baste, chaste, haste, paste, taste, waste. (3) *before* - the : as bathe, swathe. (4) *in* cambrick, cambridge. See E.

e : *in* catch, pall-mall.

i : *in the termination of barytones in* - age and - ange : as image, quarterage, orange, &c.

u, *or an obscure easy sound between u and a, in the last of barytones in* - al, - am, - an, - ance, - ar, - as, - ast : as général, bedlam, german, grievance, ignorance, defeisance, deliverance, canvas, ballast.

i is silent, *in* aaron, balaam, calais, canaan, carriage, chaplain, isaac, marriage, parliament, pharaoh, virginia. See ai, ea, oa.

(ae)

e : *in Latin words* : as aeneid, aether, aetna.

NB. *When*

<sup>3</sup> In the following lists it is to be observed that Derivatives, and Compounds, follow the rule of the primitive, and simple : Thus, 'b' being silent in 'doubt', it is so in 'doubtest, doubting, doubtful, doubtless, &c.'

—NB. *When a latin word is ánglicis'd,*<sup>1</sup> *e is generally substituted:*<sup>2</sup> *as équity, from aé-  
quitas, &c.*

(ah) See H.

(ai) See A.

äi: *in hebrew terminations:* *as éphraim, sínai,  
kiriathaim, ramathaim.*

e *in again, said, faith.* See (ay).

i *in the last syllable of pénacutes, in - ain:* *as  
certain, mountain, &c.* See A.

(al, am, an, ance, ant, ao, ar, ard) See A.

(ars)

arfe: *in latin words:* *as mars, &c.* See S.

(as, ast) See A.

(au)

ä: *in aunt, daunt, flaunt, gaunt, haunt, jaunt,  
flaunt, taunt, vaunt. gauging.*

o: *in french words:* *as claude, debauch, &c.*

äu: *in greek and latin proper-names:* *as agefi-  
laus, archelaus, capérnaüm, emmaus, stani-  
flaus, &c.*

(aw)

äw: *in await, awárd, away, awhile.*

(ay)

ë: *in says [sez] sayd, sayth.*

<sup>1</sup> Made english, or cast into an english form.

<sup>2</sup> Put in the room of it.

## B

filent (1) *in words ending in -mb*: as jamb, lamb: limb: dumb, crumb, thumb, &c.  
 (2) *in debt, doubt.*

(bury)

berreë: *in bury; and in the terminations of towns*: as canterbury, &c.

## C

g: *in clyster.*

k: *in aceldama, cis, scéleton, sceptic, sceva.*

z: *in sacrifice, suffice.*

filent (1) *before k final*: as back, block, &c. (2)  
*before e, and i, after f*: as scene, science, &c.  
 (ch)

sh: *in french words*: as chaise, &c.

k: *in most other foreign words*: as archangel, archelaus, archippus, (architect, achan, baruch, choler, chymist, distich, enoch, eupuch, issa-char, racha, stomachic—[*Except chérubim, rachel.*]

(ci)

sh: *in grécian*: áncient: grácious. *See* (sion, ti).  
 (chre, cre) *See E.*

## D

t: *in filberd.*

filent *after n, in the penultim of pénacutes*: as handfom.

## E

a: *in clerk, ferge, stern, wreck.*

i: (1) *in compounds with em, and en, from the french*:



*french*: as embark, embrace, emboss, employ: encamp, endow, engrave, engraft, enjoy, enjoin, enquire, enroll. (2) *in the last syllable of bárytones, ending in -eit, -el, -en (after two consonants) -enge, -est, -et*: as forfeit, bushel, barren, lozenge, forest, banquet, &c. (3) *in chemist, engin, pretty, méssenger, yes.*

ee: *in* be, he, here, me, mere, rere, she, we.

silent: (1) *in bárytones*: before *n final*, after a *consonant not -liquid*: as harden, raven, driven, cloven, &c. (2) *after l, in the end of polysyllables*: as table, spéctacle, addle, eagle, tattle, &c. (3) *and in the past forms of verbs in -le*: as freckled, &c. See (ie).

lengthens-not (1) *in the termination of bárytones*: as private, malice, maritime, urine, promise, infinite, active, marrow-bone, wave, future, &c. [*Exc.* finite, homicide, sacrifice]. (2) *in gone, none*: are, were, have: give, live, five. See I.

shortens-not, *after two consonants*, (1) *in change, grange, range, strange*, (2) *in haste, paste, waste.* See A.

makes a distinct syllable *in foreign words (hebrew)*: jesse, mamre. (*greek*): candace, catáitrophe, epitome, eunice. (*latin*): prae-munire, símile, scire-facias.

after *r*, is sounded (somewhat obscurely) before it, *in - chre, - cre, - gre, tre*: as sépulchre: acre, lucre: maugre: centre, lustre, mitre, théâtre. before *r*, has an obscure sound between *e* and *u*, *in the last syllable of bárytones*: as adder, after, &c.

before *s* apóstrophated, in plural nouns, and in third persons; *makes not an additional syllable*: as pope's eye, many popes, he takes. [Except when it cannot be pronóunc'd, with the *s*, but as an additional syllable: as in the following terminations: -ce, -ge, -se, -ze; as grace, graces: to place, he places: age, ages: to rage, he rages: carcase, cárcaſes: house, houſes: affize, affizes: to freeze, it freezes ].

(ea)

a: in hearth, ſwear.

e: in bread, breast, breath, dead, deaf, dealt, dearth, death, dread, earl, earth, head, health, learn, pearl, realm, rehearse, search, spread, stealth, threat, tread, wealth. See (ed)

i: in bed-ſtead, inſtead.

ee: in appear, arrears, beard, blear-eyd, chear, clear, fear, flear, hear, near, ſmear: cleave.

(eau)

e: in French words: as beau, bureau.

u: in beauty.

See A.

oy: in flambeau.

(ed)

t: after hard conſonants; viz. k, l, m, n, p, ſch, th, x: as (for choaked, pronounſe) choakt, (ſmelled) ſmelt, (dreamed) dremt, (meaped) meant, (ſtripped) ſtript, (miſſed) miſt, (ſnatched) ſnatcht, (frothed) frotht, (fixed) fixt.

d: after other conſonants: as (for loved, ſay) lov'd, &c.

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(ee—g)

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(ee)

ī: *in* been, breech, coffee, creek, sleek.

(ei)

ē: *in* seize (con -, de -, per -, ré -) ceive.ēi: (1) *in compounds with re:* as reimbúrse, reinstáte, &c. (2) *and in átheism, deism, deíst, déity, pólytheism.*

(eit, el, en)

See E.

(eo)

ě: *in* feoffee.ō: *in* george.ō: *in* yeoman.ee: *in* people.

(er, et)

See E.

(ew)

ō: *in* few, shew, strew.

(ey)

ī: *in the terminations of bárytones:* as causey, &c.ī: *in* eye.ei: *in* hey-day!

## F

v: *in* of: *as*, *in* the name of the lord of hosts.

## G

hard: (1) *in foreign proper-names:* as agefilaus, geba, gihon, gilead, gilboa, &c. (2) *in some english names:* as gelderland, seager, gibbons, gibson, gilman, gilbert, huggins. (3) *in the inflexion of words ending in -g:* as (from big) bigger, biggest. (from brag) braggest, brag-

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braggeth: bragged, bragging: bragger. (*from* bring) bringest, &c. (4) *in the following appellatives; or common-names*: begin, biggin, eager, finger, gears, geese, geld, get, gibberish, gift, gig, gild, gills, gilt, gimblet, gimp, give, noggin, piggin.

silent: *before m, or n; if in the same syllable*: as phlegm, arraign, &c. [*Except apophthegm.*]

(gh)

g - hard: *in gherkin, ghitar, ghost.*

o: *in the termination of towns*: as hampshire, &c.

silent (1) *in - igh, - ight (the i pronounc'd long)*: as high, hight, &c. (2) *in straight, caught, naught, taught, fraught, eight, bough, plough, slough, hugh.*

(gl)

lly: *in italian words*: as onéglia, feráglio, &c.

(gn)

nny: *in italian words*: as signor, or feignor, &c.

(gre)

See E.

(gui)

gwi: *in anguish, linguist, penguin, sanguin.*

## H

silent: (1) *after r*: as catarrh, myrrh, rhenish, rhetoric, rheum, rhine, rhinoceros, rhyme, &c. (2) *after a vowel, in the end of words*: as ah, jehovah, messiah: oh, shiloh, &c. (3) *in heir, herb, honest, honor, humble, humphrey: john.*

i: *in*



## I

ī: in syllables not accented: as cōmical, arti-  
fice, régiment: fertile, captive, &c. See E.

ī: (1) in the past form of verbs apostrophated: as  
grim'd, twin'd, &c. (2) in mild, wild, child..  
climb.. bind, blind, find, grind, hind, kind,  
mind, rind.. pint.. ninth.

e: in fir.. third.. virgin.. firkin, firkin, irk, kirk,  
fmirk.. girl, twirl, whirl.. firm, skirmish..  
chirp.. squirt, stirrup.. skirt, thirteen, vir-  
tue.

u: in stir: birch; bird: dirt, flirt, skirt: first,  
thirst.

ee: in french words: as oblige, machine, ma-  
gazine, &c.

silent.

See (ie),

(ia)

See A.

(ie)

ē: in field-fare, friend.

ī: (1) in harytones in -ies: as jellies, rallies,  
&c. See S. (2) in the terminations -chief,  
-field: as mischief, litchfield, &c.

ī: (1) in the end of words: as die, signifie, &c.  
(2) and before d, &c. in oxytones: as (from  
apply), applied, appliest, &c.

(ice, ime, ine, ise, ite)

See E.

(ian, ion, ious)

See C, S, T, X.

(ir, ive)

See I,

## L

silent: in fault, vault.

(-le)

## N

silent after l, or m : in kiln: autumn, column, condemn, contemn, damn, hymn, limn, solemn.

## O

ō : (1) in the past form of verbs apostrophated : as ston'd, bor'd. (2) in bold, cold, fold, hold, mold, old, scold, fold, told : boll, droll, poll, roll, scoll, stroll, toll : bolt, colt, dolt, holt, jolt, polt, revolt : comb : only, won't : divorce, force : porch : afford, ford, forge : pork : shorn, sworn, torn, worn : effort, fort, port, report, sport : forth : gross : host, most, post : sloth.

u : or an obscure sound between o and u : (1) in the penultim of oxytones : as command, consult, correct, protest, &c. (2) in the last syllable of barytones : as gambol, wisdom, tire-some, opinion, second, armor, utmost, abbot, &c. (3) in col-, com-, con-, cor-, the first syllable of tessarasyllable ténacutes : as collection, commission, conclusion, corruption, &c. (4) in wolf, bombast, comfrey, won, wont, done, monk : word, work, worm, wort, world, worth, worship, quoth he, doth : above, dove, glove, shove.

oo : in do, who : gold : bomb, tomb, womb : move, prove. See (oe)

i : in flagon, wagon.

silent : (1) before -n final, after a consonant : as bacon,

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bacon, beacon : iron : bason, mutton, &c.  
 [Exc. canon, cannon, dragon, melon]. (2)  
 in carrion, fashion. See (eo).

(oa)

ö : broad, abróad.

öa : in words compounded with co : as coágulate,  
 coalition, &c. (2) in hebrew words : as gilboa,  
 zoan, zoar.

(ock)

See C.

(oe)

e : in oecónomy.

oo : in shoe.

(oh)

See H

(oi)

öi : in words compounded with co : as cöincide,  
 cöindicate, cöition, &c. (2) in going.

(ol, old, oll, olt, om, on) See Q.

(oo)

ö : in door, floor, moor.

u : in blood, good, hood, flood, stood, wood,  
 wool : foot, foot : forsooth.

öö : in words compounded with co : as co-  
 operate.

(or, orce, ord, ork, orn, ort, oss, oft) See O.

(ou)

ö : in court, four, gourd, mourn, pourtray, soul.

u : (1) in the terminátion -ous : as famous, &c.

(2) in the terminátion of towns in -mouth :  
 as dartmouth, portsmouth, yarmouth, &c.

(3) in blount, couple, couránt, flourish, nou-  
 rish, touch, trouble, you, your, young, youth.

oo : (1) in french words : as amóur, route, tour.

(2) in bourn, gouge.

ou :

(ow)

ou: *in* brow, cow, how, now, plow, vow . .  
 coward, froward . . bowel, howel, powel,  
 trowel, vowel . . dower, flower, power, shower,  
 tower . . bowl, cowl, fowl, growl, howl, owl,  
 scowl . . brown, clown, crown, down, drown,  
 frown, gown, town . . dowry, lowr, towr.

oo: *in the last syllable of bárytones*: as follow,  
 follows, fólloweth, fóllowed, fóllowing, &c.

P

silent: (1) *before f*: as *in* psálmody. (2) *after*  
*m, in the same syllable*: as *in* empty, sum-  
 pter, symptom.

(ph)

p . . h: *in compound words*: as uphóld, &c.

Q

k: *in the terminátion -que*: as *risque*, &c. (2)  
*in conquer, exchequer, masquerade*.

R

silent almost: *in* harsh, marsh.

(rh)

See H.

S

z: (1) *in plural nouns*: as *stars*, *naines*, &c.  
 (2) *in third persons*: as, *he has*, *he stares*, *he*  
*reads*, &c. (3) *in compounds with dis-, and*  
*mis- [except before c, p, t]*: as *disdáin*, *mis-*  
*apprehénd*, &c. (4) *in past forms that end*  
*in - sed apóstrophated*: as *eas'd*, *impós'd*,  
 us'd,



us'd, &c. (5) *in* accúse, amúse, anise, appease, applause, as, bruise, casement, cásuist, cause, chastise, cheese, choose, chose, circumsise, clause, closet, demise, desérve, desíre, damsel, devise, drousy, ease, énterprise, enthúsiast, éxercise, gauge, glose, gosling, grease, hose, infúse, is, miser, mísery, muse, noise, nose, palisade, párasite, phárisee, pause, please, (*com, de, ex, im, op, re, pro, sup*) - pose, posy, praise, précise, premise, presence, present, présérve, présúme, prose, raise, ráse, recogníse, recógnisor, resént, resérve, résíde, résídue, résíst, résólve, resórt, resúlt, rise, rouse, spouse, surpríse, tease, (*ad, re*) - vise, visit, use, usúrp, wise. (6) *in* -sm : *as* phantasm, sopherism, &c.

sh : *in* issue, sugar, sure.

silent : *in* carlisle, isle, island, lisle, viscount.

(sion)

See (ci)

shun : *after a consonant* : *as* diménsion, &c.

zhun : *after a vowel* : *as* delúision, &c.

## T

silent : *in* -stle : *as* castle, thistle, &c. See E.

(th)

ð : *or th soft* (1) *in words ending in* -the : *as* bathe, tithe, clothe . . bequéathe, breathe, soothe, smoothe, fithe, &c. (2) *in* (*be, under*) -neath, that, the, thee, then, thence, thine, this, thus, thy, with.

(ti)

sh : *before a vowel* : *as* grátian, création, &c.

See (ci, sion, xion)

[Ex-

[*Except* (1) *in the begining of a word*: as tiara, tieth, &c. (2) *after s*: as celéstial, fústi-an, bástion, &c. (3) *in comparatives, and superlatives from adnouns in -ty*: as mighty, mightier, mightiest. (4) *in verbs in -est, -es, -ed*; from -ty: as I empty, thou émp-tiest, he empties, he émptied. (5) *in verbals in -tible, and -tier*: as pity, píritable: empty, émp-tier, &c. (6) *in some hebrew and greek words*: as shephatiah, sheáltiel, adramyttium, &c.]

(tre)

See E.

U

i: in lettuce.

See (au).

(ure)

See E.

W

filent: (1) *in the names of towns that end in -wich, and -wick*: as ipswich, warwick, &c.

X

gz: in exáct, examin, exért, exile, exíst.

(xion)

cñun: as refléxion, crucifixion, deffúxion, &c.

Y

i, or ee short, *in syllables not-accented*: as ém-bryo, finely, mystery, &c. [*Except compounds in -fy*: as signify, &c.] See ay, ey, and Préferables.

(yr)

ur: or an obscúre sound betwéen i and u, *in the last syllable of bárytones*: as martyr, &c.

Further

# Further Exemplifications

OF THE

## PRECEDING EXCEPTIONS:

FIRST

*Sorted*, according to the féveral peculiárities of the sounds, as spécified in the général excéptions. V. p. 36.

THEN

*Promíscuous*, in the course of the álphabet; for the further éxercise of mémory and judgment, in the applicátion of what must be pretty well familiárizd by so many examples in the former tables.

*More Examples of Excéptions from the Primmer-sounds.*

### I. S O R T E D,

*According to the féveral peculiárities before spécified.*

a as i.

|         |         |          |          |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| bagage  | homage  | message  | suffrage |
| bondage | hostage | passage  | village  |
| cabage  | image   | pillage  | vintage  |
| cotage  | linage  | savage   | voiage   |
| damage  | manage  | steerage | umbrage  |
| furnace |         | F        | pena-)   |

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(-cutes)

|           |          |           |          |
|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| annals    | eustard  | fragrant  | marshal  |
| balance   | cymbal   | frugal    | mental   |
| bastard   | damask   | garland   | moral    |
| bulwark   | dastard  | giant     | mortal   |
| buzzard   | dewlap   | grievance | mortal   |
| carnal    | dial     | hazard    | mustard  |
| cedar     | dismal   | herald    | niggard  |
| cellar    | distaff  | human     | nuisance |
| chapman   | distant  | husband   | offal    |
| climate   | dotard   | infant    | onward   |
| compass   | downward | instant   | orchard  |
| collar    | drunkard | inward    | organ    |
| constant  | entrance | lizard    | outward  |
| crystal   | equal    | loyal     | penance  |
| cumbrance | forward  | malard    | pillar   |

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|         |          |          |          |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| bargain | certain  | curtain  | mountain |
| captain | chaplain | fountain | murrain  |

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con as cum.

(-tones)

|         |         |          |          |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| combine | commode | compile  | compose  |
| command | compare | complain | compress |
| commend | commute | comply   | comprise |
| commit  | compel  | comport  | compute  |

con as cun.

|          |         |          |         |
|----------|---------|----------|---------|
| conceal  | concoct | confide  | confute |
| conceit  | concur  | confine  | congeal |
| conceive | condole | confirm  | conjoin |
| concern  | conduce | conform  | connive |
| concise  | confer  | confound | consent |
| conclude | confess | confront | consign |

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|           |         |          |          |
|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| confist   | consult | contend  | convey   |
| conspire  | consume | contrive | convict  |
| constrain | contain | convene  | convince |

cor *as* cur.

|         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|
| correct | corrode | corrupt |
|---------|---------|---------|

dis *as* diz.

|          |          |          |         |
|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| disburse | disgorge | disguise | disjoin |
| disease  | disgrace | disguist | dismay  |

*pena-*)

e *as* i.

(-cutes

|           |           |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| blanket   | cornet    | frontlet  | hornet    |
| bonnet    | crochet   | fulness   | jacket    |
| budget    | cruel     | garret    | jewel     |
| burgess   | cudgel    | gladness  | kennel    |
| camel     | cygnet    | gobbet    | kernel    |
| cancel    | darnel    | goblet    | latchet   |
| carpet    | duchess   | goddess   | landress  |
| challenge | endless   | gospel    | largeness |
| chanceel  | faithless | gravel    | leanness  |
| chanel    | fennel    | guiltless | limbeck   |
| chapel    | ferret    | harmless  | lozenge   |
| civet     | fewel     | harness   | mallet    |
| claret    | fillet    | harvest   | minstrel  |
| comet     | foulness  | helmet    | pamphlet  |

e *lengthens-not.*

|          |          |         |         |
|----------|----------|---------|---------|
| famine   | legate   | motive  | office  |
| figure   | mandate  | native  | olives  |
| jointure | membrane | notice  | palate  |
| justice  | mixture  | novice  | passive |
| lattice  | moisture | nurture | pensive |

|           |           |          |          |
|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| pirate    | purchase  | senate   | torture  |
| preface   | purpose   | servile  | tractate |
| prelate   | respite   | solace   | treatise |
| private   | restive   | stature  | venture  |
| probate   | rupture   | surface  | vesture  |
| prostrate | sapphire  | surplice | volume   |
| pumice    | scripture | tincture | vulture  |

## e as u.

|         |          |          |          |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| amber   | brier    | cover    | flutter  |
| anger   | buckler  | coulter  | fodder   |
| archer  | butcher  | crier    | former   |
| babbler | butler   | cumber   | gander   |
| badger  | butter   | daggar   | garner   |
| banner  | canker   | diver    | gender   |
| banter  | chandler | divers   | ginger   |
| barber  | chapter  | draper   | glitter  |
| barter  | charger  | drawer   | graver   |
| batter  | charter  | eager    | grinders |
| beaver  | chatter  | elder    | grocer   |
| better  | cipher   | ember    | gunner   |
| bibber  | cistern  | ever     | gutter   |
| bitter  | clapper  | faulter  | hammer   |
| bittern | clover   | fitter   | hamper   |
| blister | cluster  | fever    | harper   |
| blubber | clutter  | finger   | kinder   |
| blunder | cooper   | flatter  | lantern  |
| bluster | copper   | fletcher | science  |
| border  | corner   | flounder | silence  |

## el as il.

See e.

## en as n

|        |        |         |        |
|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| becken | bitten | blacken | brazen |
|        |        |         | burden |

## Sorted

(en—o)

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|         |          |         |         |
|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| burden  | harden   | maiden  | taken   |
| frozen  | hidden   | moisten | token   |
| chosen  | holden   | open    | troden  |
| drunken | laden    | oxen    | waken   |
| fasten  | lengthen | smitten | weaken  |
| garden  | listen   | fodden  | woven   |
| gotten  | loaden   | spoken  | written |
| happen  | loosen   | swollen | woven   |

et as it

See e.

efs as is.

See e.

ey as i.

|         |         |         |        |
|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| chimney | hackney | lamprey | valley |
| cockney | kidney  | palfrey | volley |

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|         |         |         |        |
|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| babble  | caudle  | grapple | marble |
| bible   | curdle  | gristle | meddle |
| bottle  | daggle  | handle  | muffle |
| bramble | dazzle  | hazle   | mumble |
| bridle  | dwindle | humble  | muzzle |
| bubble  | eagle   | juggle  | myrtle |
| bundle  | fable   | kettle  | needle |
| candle  | feeble  | knuckle | nettle |
| castle  | fickle  | mangle  | nibble |
| cattle  | fumble  | mantle  | puddle |

o as u.

|         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| author  | bottom  | canton  | clamor  |
| ballot  | bullock | carol   | collop  |
| bishop  | buttock | carrot  | concord |
| blossom | buxom   | caffock | coxcomb |

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|          |           |          |          |
|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| cuckold  | gammon    | noisom   | second*  |
| custom   | harbor    | outmost  | feldom   |
| doctor   | harlot    | paddock  | sermon   |
| error    | havock    | parlor   | stubborn |
| factor   | hemlock   | parrot   | symptom  |
| favor    | horror    | pilot    | tailor   |
| foremost | household | ransome  | traitor  |
| freedom  | jailor    | rumor    | tumor    |
| fulsom   | inmost    | failor   | tutor    |
| gallon   | kingdom   | favor    | vapor    |
| gambol   | loathsom  | scaffold | welcome  |

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|        |         |        |         |
|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| bason  | crimson | mason  | reason  |
| blazon | deacon  | pardon | reckon  |
| button | glutton | poison | season  |
| capon  | iron    | prison | treason |

ous *as* uz.

|                   |           |            |             |
|-------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| grievous          | heinous   | leprous    | troubulous  |
| <i>antepen-</i> ) |           |            | (-acutes.   |
| amorous           | envious   | numerous   | righteous   |
| barbarous         | fabulous  | obvious    | scrupulous  |
| boisterous        | glorious  | populous   | serious     |
| captious          | glutinous | ponderous  | spurious    |
| clamorous         | glutinous | previous   | strenuous   |
| congruous         | gorgeous  | prosperous | studious    |
| copious           | luscious  | querulous  | treacherous |
| dangerous         | marvelous | ravenous   | virtuous    |

*pena-*)    ow *as* oo.    (-cutes.

|        |        |        |        |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| arrow  | bellow | borrow | fallow |
| barrow | billow | elbow  | fellow |

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# Promiscuous (ti—y) Exceptions 55

|         |         |         |        |
|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| follow  | mallows | pillow  | widow  |
| furrow  | marrow  | shadow  | window |
| gallows | mellow  | forrow  | winnow |
| harrow  | narrow  | sparrow | yarrow |

tion as shun

|         |         |          |          |
|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| action  | diction | fiction  | friction |
| caution | faction | fraction | function |

pena-) y as ĩ. (-cutes.

|         |        |          |        |
|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| angry   | city   | ferry    | greedy |
| army    | clary  | fifty    | hairy  |
| berry   | clergy | filthy   | happy  |
| bloody  | copy   | flabby   | hardy  |
| booby   | crafty | forty    | hoary  |
| booty   | duty   | frankly  | hotly  |
| bounty  | easy   | friendly | hurry  |
| briefly | eddy   | fully    | lately |
| carry   | empty  | fury     | lofty  |
| cherry  | entry  | glory    | lowly  |
| chimny  | fairy  | goodly   | lusty  |

*More Examples of Exceptions from the Primer-sounds.*

## II. PROMISCUOUS,

*or intermixt, for a trial of skill in the application of the former.*

### i. DISSYLLABLES :

#### 1. Oxytones.

|         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| afoot   | become  | besiege | divide  |
| aware   | beget   | bewray  | divine  |
| because | believe | divest  | divulge |

2. Pe-

2. *Penacutes.*

|          |           |          |          |
|----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| lobster  | navy      | plaster  | rashly   |
| loiter   | needy     | platter  | real     |
| lumber   | never     | plenty   | reaper   |
| manner   | neuter    | plummet  | remnant  |
| market   | newly     | plural   | render   |
| marquiss | newness   | pocket   | renard   |
| marry    | nimble    | poët     | riddance |
| master   | nipple    | pollard  | riddle   |
| meekness | noble     | posset   | rightly  |
| member   | number    | potter   | riot     |
| mercier  | offer     | poultry  | river    |
| mercy    | oister    | proper   | robber   |
| merry    | order     | prophet  | royal    |
| mighty   | over      | prosper  | ruby     |
| millar   | paleness  | proudly  | ruddy    |
| miry     | pamper    | proverb  | rural    |
| mistress | paper     | purple   | fable    |
| model    | parcel    | quaker   | saddle   |
| modern   | parent    | quadrant | sadly    |
| modest   | party     | quarry   | fally    |
| monthly  | partner   | quarter  | sandals  |
| monster  | pebble    | quaver   | scabbard |
| mouldy   | penny     | quibble  | scabby   |
| mourner  | pepper    | quickly  | scandal  |
| mower    | pewter    | quiver   | scarlet  |
| muddy    | phantasy  | rabble   | scatter  |
| mullet   | pimple    | racket   | scholar  |
| murder   | piper     | rafter   | scoffer  |
| muster   | pitcher   | railer   | scramble |
| mutter   | pity      | rally    | scraper  |
| namely   | plainness | rampart  | scribble |
|          |           |          | scruple  |

|           |            |           |            |
|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| scruple   | smatter    | stumble   | tenant     |
| secret    | snuffers   | sturdy    | thicket    |
| seemly    | snowy      | substance | thickness  |
| seller    | sober      | succour   | thimble    |
| selvedge  | socket     | sudden    | thirdly    |
| sentence  | softly     | suet      | thirsty    |
| serpent   | sonnet     | suffer    | thistle    |
| fettle    | soresly    | summer    | thoughtful |
| sever     | sorrel     | fundry    | thousand   |
| sexton    | sorry      | supper    | thraldom   |
| shabby    | spangle    | surfeit   | threescore |
| shambles  | sparkle    | swagger   | thrifty    |
| shelter   | speechless | swallow   | thunder    |
| shiver    | speedy     | sweetness | tillage    |
| shortly   | spider     | swiftly   | timber     |
| shuttle   | spindle    | synod     | timbrel    |
| fickle    | sprinkle   | system    | tinder     |
| sickness  | stable     | table     | tingle     |
| signet    | stagger    | tabret    | torment    |
| silly     | stammer    | tammy     | torrent    |
| silver    | standard   | tankard   | total      |
| simnel    | staple     | tanner    | trammel    |
| simple    | stately    | taper     | trample    |
| single    | steadfast  | tapster   | travel     |
| sister    | steeple    | target    | traverse   |
| sixty     | steward    | tarry     | treacle    |
| skilful   | story      | tatler    | treatise   |
| skillet   | stormy     | tavern    | treble     |
| slackness | stranger   | tawny     | tremble    |
| slander   | struggle   | temper    | trencher   |
| slender   | strumpet   | temple    | trespass   |
| slugard   | stubble    | tender    | trial      |
| snifter   | study      | tenet     | trickle    |

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|         |         |         |          |
|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| trident | twenty  | victor. | whisper  |
| trifle  | twinkle | vintner | whistle  |
| trivet  | tyrant  | viol    | wholsome |
| trophy  | vacant  | viper   | wicked   |
| trouble | vassal  | vocal   | winter   |
| truant  | velvet  | vulgar  | wisdom   |
| trumpet | venom   | uncle   | witness  |
| trundle | verger  | under   | witty    |
| tumble  | very    | upper   | wizard   |
| turbant | vessel  | upward  | worldly  |
| turnep  | vestry  | utter   | wrinkle  |
| turret  | vial    | wafer   | yearly   |
| turtle  | vicar   | weary   | yonder   |

ii. *TRISYLLABLES:*

1. *Oxytones.*

|              |             |             |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| commonwealth | discontent  | disunite    |
| disabuse     | disembarque | fricasee    |
| disagree     | disembogue  | recollect   |
| disallow     | disesteem   | recommend   |
| disappear    | disengage   | reconcile   |
| disappoint   | disobey     | seventeen   |
| disbelieve   | disoblige   | unbelief    |
| discommend   | disregard   | whereupon   |
| discompose   | disrespect  | yesternight |

2. *Penacutes.*

|           |            |              |
|-----------|------------|--------------|
| abandon   | abusive    | acquaintance |
| abortive  | acceptance | admonish     |
| abundance | accomplice | advantage    |
|           |            | adven-       |



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|             |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| adventure   | disciple     | obeisance    |
| advowson    | disjunctive  | observance   |
| allowance   | disquiet     | occurrence   |
| anchovy     | dissemble    | offensive    |
| annoyance   | distinctly   | pomegranate  |
| apostate    | diviner      | presumptive  |
| apprentice  | diurnal      | puissant     |
| assemble    | epistle      | remainder    |
| asunder     | espousals    | remember     |
| attentive   | eternal      | remonstrance |
| balcony     | external     | resemble     |
| cathedral   | extirpate    | restorer     |
| clandestine | forbearance  | seducer      |
| coequal     | forbidden    | sequester    |
| confiscate  | henceforward | spectator    |
| conjecture  | illustrate   | submissive   |
| conjuncture | immortal     | testator     |
| consider    | imparlance   | tribunal     |
| consumptive | incarnate    | vindictive   |
| contemplate | incentive    | uncertain    |
| contrivance | inclosure    | unequal      |
| cordwainer  | inclusive    | unfeigned    |
| corrosive   | inculcate    | unfaithful   |
| corruptness | infernal     | unfruitful   |
| decanter    | informer     | ungodly      |
| defensive   | intangle     | unholy       |
| defiance    | interpret    | unjustly     |
| deliver     | intestate    | unlearned    |
| demonstrate | intestine    | unruly       |
| departure   | malignant    | unstable     |
| destructive | maternal     | untimely     |
| determine   | mischievous  | unworthy     |
| dictator    | nocturnal    | utenfil      |

3. *Ternacutes.*

|            |             |              |
|------------|-------------|--------------|
| abdicate   | bodily      | chymistry    |
| abrogate   | bottomless  | circulate    |
| abstinence | bravery     | circumstance |
| accident   | brevity     | citizen      |
| accurate   | bribery     | clamorous    |
| actual     | brigantine  | classical    |
| adjutant   | brotherly   | clemency     |
| advocate   | bullion     | colony       |
| affable    | burdensom   | colloquy     |
| agony      | burglary    | comedy       |
| ambushment | burial      | comical      |
| amity      | cabinet     | conference   |
| amnesty    | calculate   | confidence   |
| ancestors  | capital     | congruous    |
| ancient    | captivate   | conjugal     |
| animate    | cardinal    | consecrate   |
| arable     | carefully   | consonant    |
| armory     | carnally    | constancy    |
| arrogant   | carpenter   | contrary     |
| artery     | catalogue   | conversant   |
| article    | cavalry     | copious      |
| avarice    | caveat      | copulate     |
| audible    | celebrate   | cordial      |
| audience   | century     | cormorant    |
| auditor    | chamberlain | corporal     |
| augury     | champion    | costliness   |
| banister   | character   | cotages      |
| barrister  | chapter     | covenant     |
| battery    | chariot     | counsellor   |
| beautify   | chivalry    | countenance  |
| benefice   | chymical    | counterfeit  |

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|           |             |             |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| courteous | dungeon     | foppery     |
| credible  | duplicate   | forwardness |
| critical  | durable     | fugitive    |
| crudity   | ebony       | funeral     |
| cubical   | edifice     | furious     |
| culpable  | educate     | furniture   |
| cultivate | elegant     | furrier     |
| curious   | elephant    | furtherance |
| custody   | elevate     | gallery     |
| decency   | embassy     | garrison    |
| dedicate  | emperor     | general     |
| deity     | emulate     | generate    |
| delicate  | enemy       | generous    |
| denizen   | energy      | gentleman   |
| deprecate | entity      | gloominess  |
| derogate  | envious     | glutinous   |
| desolate  | equipage    | gorgeous    |
| desperate | equity      | gracious    |
| destiny   | estimate    | graduate    |
| deviate   | exercise    | grasshopper |
| dialogue  | expiate     | gunpowder   |
| diamond   | explicate   | harbinger   |
| diaper    | extasy      | harmony     |
| diary     | fabulous    | heresy      |
| dignity   | faction     | heretic     |
| dimity    | fallacy     | heritage    |
| diocese   | family      | hideous     |
| dissipate | fealty      | hindermost  |
| dissonant | fervency    | history     |
| doctrinal | festival    | holiness    |
| drapery   | filthiness  | homily      |
| dubious   | filial      | horrible    |
| dulcimer  | foolishness | husbandry   |

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|           |             |             |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| hypocrite | lioneſs     | mutable     |
| idiom     | luſcious    | mutiny      |
| idiot     | macerate    | mutual      |
| idleneſs  | magiſtrate  | myriad      |
| ignorant  | majeſty     | myſtery     |
| imitate   | maintenance | narrative   |
| imprecate | management  | nation      |
| infamy    | manſion     | natural     |
| infancy   | manual      | navigate    |
| infinite  | mariner     | naughtineſs |
| influence | marmalade   | nightingale |
| innermoſt | martial     | nominate    |
| inſtigate | marvelous   | notable     |
| interval  | maſculine   | notary      |
| intimate  | maſſacre    | novelty     |
| intricate | maſtery     | numerous    |
| ivory     | mediate     | nunnery     |
| jocular   | meditate    | nuptial     |
| jovial    | melody      | obdurate    |
| kalendar  | memory      | obſequy     |
| kinſwoman | mendicant   | obſolete    |
| laity     | menſtruous  | obſtacle    |
| larceny   | mention     | obſtinate   |
| latitude  | militant    | obvious     |
| lechery   | million     | odious      |
| legacy    | mineral     | officer     |
| legible   | miniſter    | ominous     |
| legion    | miſery      | operate     |
| lenity    | mitigate    | opposite    |
| leproſy   | moderate    | oracle      |
| levity    | motion      | orator      |
| liberal   | multiply    | offſhage    |
| libertine | muſical     | overſight   |



| Promiscuous | (ternacutes) | Exceptions | 63 |
|-------------|--------------|------------|----|
| outlawry    | preamble     | region     |    |
| outwardly   | precipice    | register   |    |
| palliate    | prejudice    | regular    |    |
| papacy      | prelacy      | remedy     |    |
| parasite    | previous     | reprobate  |    |
| parity      | primitive    | requisite  |    |
| partial     | privilege    | ribaldry   |    |
| particle    | privily      | righteous  |    |
| passion     | probable     | royalty    |    |
| patience    | probity      | ruminate   |    |
| paucity     | prodigy      | sacrilege  |    |
| pedagogue   | profligate   | salary     |    |
| pelican     | property     | salivate   |    |
| penalty     | prophecy     | sanctity   |    |
| penetrate   | prosperous   | satiate    |    |
| penury      | protestant   | savior     |    |
| perjury     | provender    | favory     |    |
| perpetrate  | punctual     | scorpion   |    |
| perquisite  | punishment   | scriptural |    |
| petulant    | purity       | scrutiny   |    |
| pigeon      | quadrangle   | scullion   |    |
| piety       | quality      | secrecy    |    |
| pinnacle    | quantity     | section    |    |
| poëtry      | querulous    | secular    |    |
| policy      | question     | sensitive  |    |
| ponderous   | quintessence | senator    |    |
| popery      | quotient     | sensual    |    |
| popular     | radiant      | sensible   |    |
| populous    | radical      | sensitive  |    |
| possible    | rapier       | separate   |    |
| potentate   | rarity       | serious    |    |
| poverty     | ravenous     | servitor   |    |
| practical   | recompense   | several    |    |

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|            |            |              |
|------------|------------|--------------|
| singular   | tendency   | vigilant     |
| situate    | tenderness | villainy     |
| slippery   | terrible   | vindicate    |
| sophister  | tertian    | vinegar      |
| forcery    | theory     | violate      |
| special    | titular    | virginals    |
| spectacle  | tolerate   | virtuous     |
| spurious   | tractable  | visible      |
| station    | tragical   | vision       |
| strenuous  | trinity    | vitious      |
| studious   | trivial    | vitriol      |
| subsidy    | tympany    | ultimate     |
| suffocate  | typical    | unction      |
| suffragan  | vacancy    | union        |
| summary    | valiant    | unity        |
| suppliant  | vanity     | usual        |
| supplicate | variance   | utterance    |
| surcingle  | various    | wayfaring    |
| surrogate  | vendible   | weariness    |
| sustenance | venomous   | wickedness   |
| sycamore   | venerary   | widower      |
| sycophant  | venial     | widowhood    |
| sympathy   | verily     | wilderness   |
| synagogue  | verity     | wofully      |
| tedious    | veteran    | workmanship  |
| temperance | victory    | wretchedness |

iii. TESSARASYLLABLES.

i. *Oxytones.*

nevertheless recognisor

2. *Penacutes.*

|               |              |              |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| accidental    | indiscreetly | pennyroyal   |
| acquiescence  | instrumental | peradventure |
| adamantine    | intercessor  | perseverance |
| agriculture   | interloper   | predecessor  |
| apprehensive  | intermingle  | procurator   |
| arbitrator    | intermixture | prolocutor   |
| benefactor    | mediator     | regulator    |
| coadjutor     | misadventure | sacerdotal   |
| commentator   | misinterpret | salamander   |
| comprehensive | moderator    | sequestrator |
| correspondent | navigator    | supervisor   |
| fornicator    | numerator    | supplemental |
| horizontal    | observer     | unbegotten   |
| howsoever     | occidental   | undertaken   |
| imitator      | operator     | universal    |
| immaturely    | opportunist  | whenever     |
| incorrectly   | ornamental   | wherever     |

3. *Ternacutes.*

|             |            |              |
|-------------|------------|--------------|
| abbreviate  | adoption   | angelical    |
| ability     | adulterate | annihilate   |
| abominate   | affection  | antipathy    |
| abundantly  | affinity   | antiquity    |
| accelerate  | alacrity   | apology      |
| accessible  | allegiance | apparitor    |
| accommodate | allusion   | appellative  |
| acidity     | ambassador | appropriate  |
| activity    | ambiguous  | appurtenance |
| addition    | ambition   | articulate   |
| administer  | amphibious | artillery    |
| admission   | analogy    | aspersion    |

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|             |             |            |
|-------------|-------------|------------|
| assassinate | deficient   | efficient  |
| assiduous   | degenerate  | effusion   |
| associate   | dejection   | egregious  |
| assumption  | delectable  | ejection   |
| attention   | deliberate  | elaborate  |
| attenuate   | delicious   | election   |
| audacious   | delineate   | emasculate |
| barbarian   | deliverance | embroidery |
| barbarity   | delusion    | emission   |
| behaviour   | depopulate  | emphatical |
| beneficence | depression  | enormity   |
| benevolence | derision    | episcopal  |
| bituminous  | description | equality   |
| calamity    | desertion   | equivocal  |
| canonical   | destruction | equivocate |
| capacity    | determinate | eradicate  |
| capitulate  | detraction  | erroneous  |
| capricious  | devotion    | eruption   |
| captivity   | dexterity   | essential  |
| celerity    | diffusion   | eternity   |
| celestial   | digression  | etherial   |
| cenforious  | dimension   | evacuate   |
| centurion   | diminutive  | evaporate  |
| certificate | direction   | evasion    |
| cessation   | discretion  | exaction   |
| creation    | discussion  | exasperate |
| credulity   | dishonesty  | exemption  |
| damnation   | dissension  | exhilarate |
| debility    | distinction | exonerate  |
| decennial   | diversity   | exorbitant |
| decision    | division    | expansion  |
| decoction   | effectual   | expedient  |
| defection   | effeminate  | experience |
|             |             | expo-      |



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|-------------|--------------|-------------|----|
| expositor   | immediate    | invasion    |    |
| expression  | immersion    | invention   |    |
| expulsion   | immutable    | inveterate  |    |
| extenuate   | impartial    | involute    |    |
| exterior    | imperious    | invisible   |    |
| extortion   | impetuous    | ironical    |    |
| extraction  | importunate  | irregular   |    |
| extremity   | impression   | irruption   |    |
| exuberant   | impunity     | judicial    |    |
| facility    | incessant    | judicious   |    |
| fallacious  | incongruous  | laborious   |    |
| familiar    | incorporate  | lascivious  |    |
| fantastical | indefinite   | legitimate  |    |
| ferocity    | indelible    | licentiate  |    |
| fertility   | indemnity    | licentious  |    |
| festivity   | industrious  | litigious   |    |
| fidelity    | ineffable    | magician    |    |
| foundation  | infection    | malevolent  |    |
| fragility   | inferior     | malicious   |    |
| fruition    | ingenious    | material    |    |
| garrulity   | inheritance  | matriculate |    |
| grammatical | iniquity     | maturity    |    |
| harmonious  | initiate     | melodious   |    |
| humanity    | injunction   | meridian    |    |
| humility    | injurious    | mortality   |    |
| hydropical  | inscription  | musician    |    |
| hypocrisy   | inscrutable  | narration   |    |
| identity    | insinuate    | nativity    |    |
| idolatrous  | inspection   | nobility    |    |
| illiterate  | instruction  | notorious   |    |
| illuminate  | integrity    | obedience   |    |
| illustrious | intention    | objection   |    |
| immaculate  | interior     | oblation    |    |

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|             |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| obliterate  | posterity    | reluctancy   |
| oblivion    | postilion    | remission    |
| obnoxious   | potential    | responsible  |
| obscurity   | precipitate  | restorative  |
| obstruction | prediction   | restriction  |
| occasion    | predominate  | retention    |
| oeconomy    | preeminence  | retaliate    |
| officious   | preparative  | rhetorical   |
| opinion     | prerogative  | ridiculous   |
| oppression  | presbytery   | sagacity     |
| opprobrious | prescription | salvation    |
| oration     | presumptuous | satiety      |
| original    | prodigious   | security     |
| outrageous  | profession   | sedition     |
| particular  | progenitor   | severity     |
| partition   | proportion   | simplicity   |
| pathetical  | propriety    | sincerity    |
| pavilion    | prosperity   | sobriety     |
| peculiar    | provincial   | society      |
| penurious   | provision    | solemnity    |
| perdition   | purgation    | submission   |
| perfection  | quaternion   | subscription |
| perfidious  | quotidian    | substantial  |
| pernicious  | rebellion    | subtraction  |
| perpetual   | receptacle   | subversion   |
| perplexity  | reception    | succession   |
| perspicuous | reciprocal   | stability    |
| petition    | redemption   | supremacy    |
| philosopher | reflexion    | tautology    |
| physician   | regenerate   | tempestuous  |
| pollution   | rejection    | terrestrial  |
| possession  | reiterate    | tradition    |
| position    | relation     | tranquillity |

trans-

|               |            |             |
|---------------|------------|-------------|
| transgression | vacuity    | virginity   |
| translation   | validity   | vivacity    |
| triennial     | venereal   | voluptuous  |
| tuition       | veracity   | ubiquity    |
| tumultuous    | vermilion  | uncertainty |
| tyrannical    | vexation   | unrighteous |
| vacation      | victorious | uxorious    |

4. *Quartacutes.*

|             |              |              |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| absolutely  | confidently  | fraudulently |
| academy     | consequently | generally    |
| acceptable  | continency   | gloriously   |
| accessary   | controversy  | graciously   |
| accuracy    | corrigible   | gradually    |
| acrimony    | corpulency   | heterodox    |
| adversary   | curiously    | honorable    |
| alabaster   | delicacy     | hospitable   |
| allegory    | differently  | ignominy     |
| alienate    | difficulty   | impotency    |
| amiable     | diffidently  | impudently   |
| amicable    | diligently   | infinitely   |
| antiquary   | dutifully    | innocency    |
| arbitrary   | efficacy     | intimacy     |
| arrogancy   | elegantly    | inventory    |
| barbarously | eloquently   | lapidary     |
| bountifully | evidently    | liberally    |
| caterpillar | excellently  | lusciously   |
| cautiously  | exemplary    | magistracy   |
| ceremony    | exquisitely  | marvelously  |
| commissary  | factiously   | matrimony    |
| commonalty  | february     | memorable    |
| competency  | figurative   | mercenary    |
| complicated | fortunately  | military     |
|             |              | misera-      |

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|             |               |             |
|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| miserable   | plenteously   | spaciously  |
| moderately  | powerfully    | tabernacle  |
| monastery   | promissory    | temporary   |
| monitory    | purgatory     | tolerable   |
| motionless  | rational      | turbulency  |
| naturally   | reasonable    | transitory  |
| national    | refractory    | testimony   |
| navigable   | refectory     | tributary   |
| necessary   | resolutely    | valiantly   |
| necromancy  | righteousness | valuable    |
| nominally   | rustically    | vegetable   |
| obstinately | salutary      | vehemently  |
| offertory   | sanctuary     | vigilancy   |
| oratory     | secretary     | venerable   |
| partially   | separatist    | virtuously  |
| patrimony   | severally     | virulently  |
| pensioner   | fociable      | voluntary   |
| peremptory  | solitary      | whimfically |

iv. PENTASYLLABLES.

1. *Penacutes.*

administrator      superintendant

2. *Ternacutes.*

|              |              |                |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| academical   | animosity    | benediction    |
| accidentally | anniversary  | benefaction    |
| acquisition  | apparition   | beneficial     |
| admonition   | assiduity    | ceremonial     |
| affability   | astrological | circumcision   |
| allegorical  | astronomical | circumspection |
| ambiguity    | avaricious   | coessential    |
| ammunition   | beatifical   | comprehension  |
|              |              | compe-         |



|               |                 |               |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| competition   | imbecillity     | possibility   |
| condescension | imposition      | principality  |
| constitution  | incorruption    | prodigality   |
| contradiction | inquisition     | prohibition   |
| contribution  | institution     | providential  |
| contumacious  | insurrection    | pusillanimous |
| contumelious  | intercession    | recollection  |
| definition    | introduction    | repetition    |
| diabolical    | jurisdiction    | resolution    |
| disobedient   | liberality      | resurrection  |
| disposition   | magisterial     | retribution   |
| dissolution   | magnanimity     | reverential   |
| distribution  | mediocrity      | revolution    |
| epidemical    | misconstruction | facrilegious  |
| excommunicate | multiplicity    | satisfactory  |
| execution     | nonconformity   | singularity   |
| exhibition    | odoriferous     | supercription |
| expedition    | opportunity     | superstition  |
| exposition    | partiality      | surreptitious |
| generosity    | perpendicular   | testimonial   |
| hospitality   | perpetuity      | valediction   |
| hypocritical  | persecution     | unadvisedly   |
| illegitimate  | pestilential    | uniformity    |

3. *Quartacutes.*

|               |               |              |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| abominably    | canonically   | continually  |
| abstemiously  | communicable  | conveniency  |
| affectionate  | communicative | defamatory   |
| ambiguously   | concomitancy  | definitively |
| ambitiously   | confederacy   | deliberately |
| articulate    | confectioner  | dispensatory |
| authentically | confederate   | emphatically |
| auxiliary     | contemporary  | equivocally  |

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|               |                |                 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| especially    | inseparable    | poëttically     |
| explanatory   | insuperable    | promiscuously   |
| extemporary   | intelligible   | prothonotary    |
| extortioner   | intemperately  | proverbially    |
| extravagantly | inviolable     | ridiculously    |
| exuberancy    | involuntary    | repository      |
| fantastically | irreparable    | significancy    |
| harmoniously  | judiciously    | substantially   |
| hereditary    | laboriousness  | suspiciously    |
| immediately   | lasciviousness | tenaciously     |
| immoderately  | legitimacy     | unalterably     |
| importunately | luxuriousness  | unanimously     |
| incendiary    | magnificently  | undutifully     |
| incompetency  | majestically   | unlimitedly     |
| incontinency  | melodiously    | unnecessary     |
| indifferently | miraculously   | unpardonable    |
| inevitable    | notoriously    | unmeasurable    |
| ingeniously   | obsequiousness | unprofitable    |
| ingloriously  | particularly   | unreasonable    |
| inimitable    | pecuniary      | unseasonable    |
| innumerable   | perpetually    | unrighteousness |

4. *Quintacutes.*

|              |               |              |
|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| arbitrarily  | judicatory    | rationally   |
| derogatory   | miserableness | spiritually  |
| dictionary   | missionary    | sociableness |
| figuratively | necessarily   | vitriolated  |
| heterodoxy   | passionately  | voluntarily  |

u. **HEXASYLLABLES.**

1. *Ternacutes.*

animadversion

archiepiscopal

cir-

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|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| circumlocution   | irregularity    |
| circumvolution   | irreconcilable  |
| ecclesiastical   | mathematician   |
| enthusiastical   | multiplication  |
| familiarity      | obediential     |
| gladiatorial     | puffillanimity  |
| heterogeneous    | spirituality    |
| historiographer  | superiority     |
| immutability     | transfiguration |
| incomprehensible | uncircumcision  |
| infallibility    | universality    |

2. *Quartacutes.*

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| ceremoniously   | inconsiderable  |
| conscientiously | inconveniently  |
| disobediently   | insufficiently  |
| geographically  | magisterially   |
| geometrically   | meritoriously   |
| hyperbolically  | sacrilegiously  |
| ignominiously   | superstitiously |
| illegitimacy    | superciliously  |
| incommunicable  | supernumerary   |

3. *Quintacutes.*

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| affectionately    | proportionable   |
| compassionately   | uncharitableness |
| considerableness  | unconscionable   |
| in corrigibleness | unpardonableness |
| intolerableness   | unnecessarily    |
| involuntarily     | unprofitableness |
| propitiatory      | unreasonableness |

H

HEP.

vi. *HEPTASYLLABLES.*1. *Ternacutes.*

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| antitrinitarians  | latitudinarian     |
| coessentiality    | misinterpretation  |
| consubstantiation | naturalization     |
| discontinuation   | ratiocination      |
| excommunication   | recapitulation     |
| immensurability   | reconciliation     |
| immateriality     | supererogation     |
| indivisibility    | transubstantiation |
| incompatibility   | valetudinarian     |

2. *Quartacutes.*

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| disadvantageously | inefficiency    |
| eleemosynary      | plenipotentiary |

3. *Quintacutes.*

|                      |                   |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| disproportionable    | extraordinarily   |
| disproportionateness | unintelligibility |

4. *Hexacutes.*

unconscionableness

vii. *OCTOSYLLABLES.**Ternacutes.*

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| incomprehensibility | syncategorematical |
|---------------------|--------------------|



## II. COMPLEX EXCEPTIONS

from the spelling-book-sounds of letters, &c.

## A

1. At *abergavenny* [ab-er-ghé-nee] in mónmouthshire. Sarah, and *ábraham*. I *acknowledge* the recéipt of it. An adnoun, or noun *adjective*. Dear friend, *adieu*: Wónderful, or *ádmirable*. In the *ádmiralty*-office.

2. He lives at faint *albans* [aw-buns]. He was born at *agmondestham* [aim-shum]. An *álderman* of london. Last years *álmanack*. The father *almighty*.

3. An *almond* tree. He's *almóft* ruind. Give *alms* to the poor. At *alnwíck* [an-wic] in northúmberland. Are they come *already*? [a-red-ee].

4. Does he live at *alresford*? [ailz-furd] in hampshire? Make

no *alterátion*. It's *al-together* unnécessary. Is he *amóng* the slain? The *anchor* of a ship.

5. Moderns, and *án-cients*. Was it a rose, or an *anemone*? [ém-o-nee]. The *anger* of the lord. A draim of *aniseed*. At *another* time.

6. Did he *answer* me? Is *any* body there? An *apophthegm*, or pithy saying. A bailif, and *appáritor*. Is he a doctor, or *apóthecary*?

7. Christ and his *apostles*. Her bib, and *apron*. Potatoes, and *ártichokes*. Chicken, and *aspáragus* [spár-grafs]. He spoke with great *assurance*.

8. He's troubled with an *asthma*. A deist, and an *atheist*. He went *athwárt* the way.

A *cóunselor*, and an *at-torney*. St *augustin* [au-tin].

9. An *aukward* fellow. Is it an *auricula*, [rek-läs] or a *polyan-thus*? By whose *au-thórity*?

## B

1. A *bailif*, and his *fóllower*. He stood in the *balcony*. 'Tis pity to *balk* him. The *balm* of *gílead*. Some *bal-sam* of *peru*.

2. Against the *ba-lustres* [bán-is-turs] of the stairs. To publish the *banns* of *mátrimo-ny*. St *bartholomew's* [bár-tle-mee's] *hóspi-tal*. Shamefac'd, and *bashful*. The *beak-iron* [beck-ern] of an anvil.

3. He lives in *berk-shire*. Through *ber-mondsey* - [bár-na-bee] street in southwark. He's gone to *bírm-ing-ham* [brúm-mídg-um]. The *boatswain* [bo-sn] of a ship. A pillow, and *bolster*.

4. A mortar for *bombs*. The *bosom*, or breast. Is it *bought*, or fold? She wears a *bracelet* on her arm. A *brásier*, and a tinker.

5. At *brentford* [bran-furd] in *míddlessex*. *Jo-seph*, and his *brethren*. A native of *bristol*. My *brother*, and sister. To beat, and *bruise*.

6. He bears a heavy *burthen*. Had you any *búsiness* with him? I am very *busy*.

## C

1. A *cacao* [co-co] nut, of which *choco-late* is made. A cow, and a *calf*. She wears a *capuchíne*. The *car-case* of an ox. I would not *chagríne* [shag-green] or trouble him.

2. Is it *whiting*, or *chalk*? In the bed-*chamber*. He has a good *chárafter*. Was it a coach, or a *cha-riot*? To *chasten*, or chastise.

3. At

3. At *chíppenham*, in wiltshire. At *chesbunt*, [ches-'n] in hértfordshire. The *chevalier* [shev-a-leer] or pretender. A hen, and *chicken*. A woman, and her *children*.

4. Is it delph, or *cbina* [chey-nee]. At *cbélténham*, in gloucestershire. A mallet, and *chissel*. My lord *cholmondeley* [chum-lee]. Mace, and *cínamon*.

5. The centre of a *circle*. He went the *circuit*. At *cirencester* [sif-e-tur], in gloucestershire. He fung like a *chórister* [quér-if-tur]. At *christmas*, or lady-day.

6. Neat, and *cleanly*. Did he *cleanse* the mash-tub? Can you *climb* the tree? Is he a *clóthier*? He took *cógnisance* of that affair.

7. Some *cóchineal* for dying. A *cockswain* [cox-'n] that takes care of the cock-

boat. A cap, or a *coif*. Cabage, or *cole-worts*. A fine red *colour*.

8. A captain, and a *cólonel*. A hony-comb. Fair, and *comely*. To *comfort* the afflicted. At the word of *com-mánd*.

9. He was in good *cómpany*. With *condígn* púnishment. The *conduit* ran with wine. William the *cónqueror*. He was in the plot, or *conspíracý*.

10. A good *cónsci-ence*. A *consciéntious* man. Self *cónsciousness*. Call a *cónstable*. Can you *construe* this piece of latin?

11. Has the *coroner* [crown-ur] fate upon the dead body? Thou shalt not *covet* what is another's. To *cough*, and spit. One's own *country*. A *couple* of rabbits.

12. A man of *courage*. He receívd us *cóurteously*. She made

him a *courtesy* [cur-  
chee]. Is he a citizen,  
or a *courtier*? In a  
*courtly* manner.

12. Was it a bull,  
or a cow? With rage,  
and *cruelty*. To *cruise*  
along the coasts. A  
melon, and a *cucumber*  
[cow-cum-ber]. A *cui-  
rassier*, or horseman  
arm'd with a cuirás.

13. Put the bread in  
the *cupboard*. Put a  
*cushion* [quish-in] on the  
chair. The *czar*, and  
czarina of moscovy.

## D

1. Wounded with a  
*dagger*. A virtuous  
*damsel*. At *dárlington*  
[darn-ton] in durham.  
A son, and a *daughter*.  
A vile *debauchée*.

2. To *deign*, or vouch-  
safe. In the town of  
*deptford*. Does he live  
in *dérbyshire*? A *dé-  
spicable* wretch. To  
contemn, or *despise*.

3. Resist the *devil*.  
A *diamond-ring*. Lend

me your *dictionary*.  
Good *digestion*. After  
a short *digréssion*.

4. Give him *dirécti-  
ons*. To his own *dis-  
advantage*. A great  
*disaster*. Do you *dis-  
cern* it. His face all  
pale and *disfigurd*.

5. A *dishonest* man.  
To his great *dishonor*.  
Did he *disinberit* his  
son? Mrs *dórothy*.  
Twelve is a *dozen*.

6. Drink a *draught*.  
At *droitwich* [durt-  
wich] in cheshire. A  
camel and a *drómedary*.  
He was *droughtby*, or  
thirsty. Why so *drow-  
sy*? He was put in a  
*dúngeon*.

## E

1. In jest, or in ear-  
*nest*. Born at *édinburgh*  
[édin-bur-row]. Four-  
score is *eighty*. Take  
*either* this, or that. Mrs  
*éleanor*.

2. Did he *embálm* the  
body? Should he en-  
*deavour* to do so? The  
people of *england*. You  
have



have said *enough*. An *ensign* in the guards.

3. A double-entendre [awn-tawn-dr]. To *eschew* the evil, and follow the good. Was it *even*, or odd? The vale of *everham* [eshum] in worcestershire. Good, or *evil*.

4. Was enoch an *eunuch*? Goodness will *exalt* a nation. Near *exeter-exchange*. You are to *exhort* him. In an *extraordinary* manner.

## F

1. The truth, and *falsity* of the thing. He's gone *farther-off*. He has paid to a *farthing*. As the *fashion* alters. The son, and the *father*.

2. Three *fathoms* wide. With much labor, and *fatigue*. January, *fébruary*, march, &c. A *feoffee*, to whom a *feofment* or grant is made. I *firmly* believe.

3. It cost me *five-*

*pence* [sip-unse]. I flee, thou *fleeest*, he *fleeth*. They are poor *folk*. A *fore-head* of brass. The *foreign* news.

4. He was guilty of *forgery*. He had good *fortune*. They *fought* bravely. Three, or *four*. He's *freer* than that miser.

5. He ran-away in a *fright*. The *fruits* of the earth. A mess of *frumenty* [für-me-tee]. He *further* said.

## G

1. Is the *gárdener* at work? Will he *gather* the apples? Is he got into his *gears*? She playd on a *gbitar*, or gittern. My head is *giddy*.

2. How can you *giggle*, and laugh so? Why don't you *gird-up* your gown? Tie it with your *girdle*. A boy, or a *girl*. Has he *given* it you?

3. The *gizzard* of a fowl

fowl. He lives at *gloucester* [glof-tur]. At *godalmin* [gód-li-mun] in furrey. To govern one's passions. Is it *gouge*, or *gough*?

4. I gave a *groat* for it. He stumbled at the *groundfil* [grun-fil]. Can you *guess* what it cost? He wants a *guide*. A man without *guile*.

5. It's worth a *guinea*. In another-*guise* [ghes] manner.

## H

1. The serjeant's *balbert*. The whole, or *half*. A farthing, or a *half-penny*. To lose a sheep for a *half-penny-worth* of tar. A bridle, or *halter*.

2. A pocket-*handkerchief*. A *handsome* woman. To *hasten*, or make haste. Why so *hasty*? Proud, and *haughty*.

3. He playd on a *baut-bois* [ho-boy]. This venison has a *baut-*

*gout* [ho-go] or a high relish. The drink is *beady*. A *bearty* friend. Why do the *beathen* rage?

4. A *heavy* load. Is it a cow, or a *heifer*? It flew a great *height*. He lives at *bertford*. St *bierome* [jer-um],

5. His royal *highness*. Come *hither*. Near *bolbourn-bridge*. An *bonest* man. As sweet as *bony*.

6. To *bough*, or hamstring. She's a good *housewife*. Did the dog *howl*? To dine with duke *bumphrey*. A *hundred* times.

6. A *hungry* dog. They shouted *buzza*. Balm, and *byssop*.

## I

1. He threw a *javelin*. The yellow *jaundice*. Woful *jealousy*. In *jeopardy*, or danger. Sweet-smelling *jessamin*.

2. An *indictment* in law.

law. This, *instead* of that. The *invalids* in the hospital. Don't let her *inveigle* you. Was it *john*, or *joan*?

3. A *joist* of timber. Is that flower a *jonquil*? He's gone a *journey*. Is it *iron*, or *steel*. That's very *irk*some.

4. An *isle*, or *island*. The children of *israel*. The *issue* of the affair. An *isthmus*, or neck of land.

## K

1. His *kindness* to me. One of your *kinsfolk*. A *kinsman* of his. Have you any *knowledge* of him?

## L

1. A footman, and a *lacquay*. Both *landlord*, and *landlady*. In what *language*? How did he *languish*? Mirth and *laughter*.

2. At *launceston*, in *cornwall*. A *league*, or *covenant*. A *leathern* girdle. A little *leaven*.

He lives at *leicester* [lef-tur].

3. Was he at *leisure*? Mr *leonard*. A *tiger*, and a *leopard*. At *leverpool* [lir-ple] in *lancashire*. In *lieu*, or *instead* of that.

4. A captain, and a *lieutenant*. Was it at *lincoln*? Why did he *linger*? Spiritous *liquors*. The city of *london*.

5. Did he win, or *lose*? I am a *loser* by him. He was *loth* to leave her. The herb *lovage*. Do you *love* it?

6. Born at *loughborough* [luf-bur-rö]. Such *luscious* dainties.

## M

1. Watch-work is *machinery*. Will he *maintain* him? Good *malmsey*-wine. A miller and a *malster*. So *manifold* are his works.

2. As *many* as came. Was it *margaret*, or *mary*? A *mareschal* of *france*.

france. The duke of *márlborough*. He gave her in *márrriage*.

3. A large *mastif*. Mark, and *matthew*. A mead, or *meadow*. Lean, or *meagre*. The small-pox, and the *measles*.

4. Weights and *measures*. A *médicin* for a mad dog. Dull, and *mélancholy*. By trade, and *mérchandize*. A rich *mérchant*.

5. They caught a *mermaid*. He sent a *messenger*. Gold is the most precious *metal*. Is it prose, or *metre*? At *mídsommer*, or *míchaemas*.

6. You *might* as well. Come, in a *minute*. He wrought *míracles*. A sad *misadventure*. 'Tis the *ántidote* call'd *míthridate*.

7. A *molten* image. For want of *mony*. That dog's a *mongrel*. An ape, or *monkey*. He came out of *mónmouthshire*.

8. The *monthly* magazine. The estate is *mortgag'd*. Russia, or *móscovy*. His father, and *mother*. Frankincense, and *myrrh*.

## N

1. The *navel-string*. A *naughty* boy. A *nauseous* draught. To *neigh*, as a horse. Love your *neighbor*.

2. He is *neither* here, nor there. St *neots* [needs] in *húntingdonshire*. His niece, and his *nephew*. Mr *Nicolas*. Day, and *night*. At the *ninth* hour.

3. A *northern* lass. A *north-west* wind. Good for *nothing*. To *nourish*, and *cherish*. Every *now* and then.

4. That dunghill is a *nuisance*.

## O

1. Some flour, or *oat-meal*. On the wide *ócean*. As *often* as you do it. At *okehampton* [ok-



[ok-kin-ton.] All-wise, or *omníscient*. I saw him but *once*, or twice.

2. He's *one* of a thousand. Leeks and *ónions*. Lemons, and *óranges*. Something more than *órdinary*. Some-thing or *other*.

3. He is, *ótherwise*, very good. Bak'd in an *oven*.

## P

1. Is it *fatin*, or *pa-duasoy*? She rode on a milk-white *palfrey*. The *palm* of the hand. He has got the *palsy*. The king's letters *pat-ent*.

2. A citizen, and a *peasant*. The *pénta-teuch*, or five books of *moses*. A croud of *people*. He reads *pérfectly* well. Paul, and *pe-ter*.

3. He shot a *phea-sant*. Seiz'd with a *pbrenjy*. He's short-breathd, and *pbtificky*. He has taken *physic*. Dr such-a-one, a *physí-cian*.

4. Give me the *pli-ers*, or the *pincers*. He *piques* himself on his skill in medals. A *plea-sant* thing. He listend with *pleasure*. At *ply-mouth*, in *dévonshire*.

5. The *pommel* of a saddle. At *pontesfract*, in *yorkshire*. Call a *porter*. Give him his *pórtion*. He had great *posséssions*.

6. A *posy* for a ring. Milk *potage*. The *poul-try*-compter. A *pour-suivant* [*púr-se-vant*] at arms. In my *presence*.

7. Fair, and *pretty*. A *prísoner* in the fleet. Give the horse some *próvender*. He sung a *psalm*. I read my *psal-ter*.

8. Beef and *pudding*. He did it on *purpose*.

## Q

1. You may *quálify* it with water. Both in *quálicity*, and *quántity*. A *qualm* of *cóncscience*. There happend a *quar-rel*.

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rel. Dug out of the quarry.

2. The divisor, and the quotient.

R

1. Is it hugh, or *ralph*? Will you go to *ranelagh*? I had rather do so. He's a *ration-al* man. Is he ready to go?

2. Give me a *recéipt* for the mony. At the place of *rendezvous* [*rán-de-vooz*]. Do you love *rhenish*? In *rheumatic* pains. In a *rbéumatism*.

3. Be not *righteous* over-much. To *rinse* a glass. A *rivulet*, or little brook. A *róque-leau*, a sort of great coat. In *résamond's* pond.

4. Does he live at *rotherhithe* [*red-rif*]? He usd him *roughly*.

S

1. At *saffron-walden*. A *salade* of letuce and

*creffes*. On *salisbury* [*sáwlz-bur-ee*] plain. Does he love *salmon*? Some *salve* for a plaster.

2. A *sárcenet* hood. Some *sauce*, or gravy. He eat a *sausage*. He can *scarce* walk. A *schedule* of the goods.

4. *Héresy*, and *schism*. A good *scholar*. This day *se'nnight*. I see, thou *seest*, he *seeth*. The grand *signor*.

5. A *serjeant* at arms. A *snake*, or *serpent*. Your humble *servant*. She's out at *service*. This day *seven-night*.

6. At *sevenoak* [*sen-muck*] in kent. Shall I, or *shall* I not? A *shepherd*, and *shépher-defs*. In what *shire*, or county? The sun *shone* bright.

7. In *shore-ditch* [*shaw-ditch*] church. A *shovel*, and *poker*. He bore him on his *shoulder*. A *shrewd* sign. At *shrewsbury* [*shróze-ber-*

bur-ee] in *shropshire*. A *five*, and a riddle.

8. With *sigs* and *fobs*. A fine *sight*. At the *sign* of the golden fleece. Who art thou, *sirrah*? A cloudy *sky*.

9. A terrible *slaughter*. A *slattern*, and a *sloven*. You'll *smother* him. We *sojourn* here, as pilgrims. A brave *soldier*.

10. There are *some*. In *somer* set-house. They *sought* for him. Was it northward, or *southward*? Over the bridge, in *southwark* [süth-er-ik]. A box of *spike-nard*.

11. The *spoils* of the enemy. A *squadron* of ships. He *squanders* away his money. He has got a *squinancy* [quin-sy] in his throat. Hunt the *squirrel*.

12. A cabbage-*stalk*. Firm, and *steady*. Was *stephen* here? A pain in his *stomach*. Has she her *stomacher*?

13. Do you love *strawberries*? A noun *substantive*, or name of a thing. A *subtle* fellow. He has a great deal of *subtilty*.

14. He lives in *sus-folk*. Tea and *sugar*. A *suit* of cloaths. Yes, *surely*. Bail, or *surety*.

15. Mrs *susan*. And *swallow* a camel. The *sword* of justice. The *synagogue* of satan. Give him *syrup* of poppies.

## T

1. Can you *talk* french? A *tansy*-pudding. A *tallow*-candle. A *target*, or shield. I'll give you a *tester* for it.

2. The river *thames* [temz]. Are *these* books yours? Mr *theobald* [tib-ald]. At *theobalds* [tib-bulz] in hãrtfordshire. Will you go *thither*?

3. Both hungry, and *thirsty*. Was it *william*, or *thomas*? Is this a *thorough-fare*? They are

are *those* I saw. What, *though* he came.

4. I *thought* so. Ten *thousand* men. Did he *threaten* him? I gave *three-pence* for it. He went *through* the house.

5. As fierce as a *tiger*. A waist-coat of silver *tissue*. The dressing-box on the *toilet*. Layd in his *tomb*. Does he live at *toucester* [tóf-e-tur]?

6. Limber, and *tough*. Wipe on that *towel*. In that watch-*tower*. The traitors *treachery*. Lay-up a *treasure*.

7. They paid *tribute*. In the hog-*trough*. Price *two-pence*.

## V

1. A pretty *vagary* [fig á-ry] Mr *vaughan* said so. Wine in the *vault*. At *vaux-hall* [fox-hawl] near lam-beth. A *véhemént* north wind.

2. Revé*nge*, or ven-geance. A *venísen-*

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pastry. The jury gave their *verdict*. *Vínegar*, and *verjuice*. Drink, and *víctuals*.

3. In the *vineyard*. A grim *visage*. A vowel, and a cónsonant. A *voyage* to the indies. An *upholder*, or *uphól-sterer*.

4. A glass of *úsquebaugh*. Interest, or *ú-sury*.

## W

1. A *wagon-load*. The cieling, and the *wainscot*. Will you take a *walk*? To *wallow* in the mire. *Wílliam*, or *walter*.

2. At *waltham-abby*. Whither will you *wander*? A *wanton* woman. Wine and *water*. With what *weapon* was he killd?

3. A ferret, and a *weasel*. In *wéstminster-abby*. Abstinence is *wholesome*. And *whom* did you see? A rogue, and a *whore*.

4. Do you love *whor-tle*.



*the-berries?* And *whose* was it? Mr *willoughby* came-in. The *wisdom* of this world. A man, and a *woman*.

5. Men, and *women*. I wonder at it. In *worcestershire* [wool-tur-sheer]. A *worthy* man. Mr *wotton* found it.

6. I *would* not do so. Dare you *wrestle* with him? The *wrist-band*

of his shirt. He wrought miracles.

X

When *xénophon* livd.

Y

i. Of a *yellow* color. He was here *yesterday-morning*. In *youth*, and old age.

Z

i. Mr *záchary*. A bigot, and a *zealot*. He is *zealous* in a bad cause.

*To these may be added*

### CONTRACTIONS,

or such words as are joind-together in common discóurſe, and pronóunc'd (and even written) very different from their true spelling.

*bardly tolerable but in the low familiar stile.\**

|     |                           |                 |
|-----|---------------------------|-----------------|
| am  | <i>I'm</i> forry for it   | <i>I am</i>     |
| are | <i>they're</i> in the way | <i>they are</i> |
| art | <i>thou'rt</i> the man    | <i>thou art</i> |
|     | I 2                       | do              |

\* We have very much untún'd our language by drawing *two words into one*, from a strange humor of epitomizing—to which is a'ſo owing the fancy of curtailling ſéveral of our words, ſo that (in familiar writings, and converſations) they often loſe all but their firſt ſyllables: as in *mob*, *rep*, *poſ*, *incóg*, and the like. And as a'ſ ridiculous words make their firſt entry into a language by familiar phraſes; I dare not anſwer for theſe, that they will not (in time) be lookt-upon as a part of our tongue.

*Addiſ. ſpect. n. 135.*

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do *d'ye* hear what he says  
 in *i'th'* tub, or under it  
 is *he's* the man

*do ye*  
*in the*  
*he is*

*it's* he that did it  
*that's* the thing  
*there's* the point  
*what's* the matter  
*where's* he gone  
*wine's* a mocker

*it is*  
*that is*  
*there is*  
*what is*  
*where is*  
*wine is*

it 'tis good to be here  
 do't then quickly  
 not a'nt I in time?

*it is*  
*do it*  
*am not*

ar'n't you asham'd?  
 ben't you afraid?  
 can't he read it?

*are not*  
*be not*  
*can not*

cou'dn't he find him?  
 didn't you hear me?  
 don't he fear you?

*could not*  
*did not*  
*does not*

hasn't he been here?  
 ha'n't you seen him?  
 mayn't I speak to her?

*has not*  
*have not*  
*may not*

sha'n't I see you there?  
 shou'dn't he have come  
 't isn't the book I want.

*shall not*  
*should not*  
*it is not*

won't he comply?  
 wou'dn't he venture?  
 will I'll be back presently.

*will not*  
*would not*  
*I will*

he'll forgive it.  
 she'll forget it.  
 we'll all be ready.

*he will*  
*she will*  
*we will*

you'll be too late.  
 they'll make an end.

*you will*  
*they will*

would I'd fain hear it.  
 be'd rather be here, &c.

*I would*  
*he would*

AN  
APPENDIX  
OF

CERTAIN PARTICULARS

OF USE

*to the gaining a better knowlege  
of the art of*

SPELLING and READING.

*under the titles of*

- (1) Préferables (2) Equívocals (3) Abbrevi-  
atures (4) Numbers (5) Marks (6) Gram-  
mar (7) Points (8) Reading (9) Writing  
(10) Proverbs (11) Apophthegms (12)  
Poems.

# I. PREFERABLES

IN

SPELLING and ACCENT.

i. In SPELLING.

*Where Custom is uncertain,\* or against reason;  
I would recommend†*

THE

following orthography:

## I. CAST-OUT

*superfluous letters*: that is, such as are not necessary to the sound; and for the retaining of which

\* The uncertainty of custom is, in nothing, so variable as in Names: more particularly surnames of men: partly, because their original derivation, or true composition is far from the present sound of them; and partly, because people take the liberty to spell their own names as they please. Hence 'Grävener, Gravenor, Grovenor, Grosvenor: Reynolds, Rainolds, Raynolds, and even Reignolds: Robinson, Robison, Robson: Thomson, Thompson, Tompson, Tomson:' according to the skill or humor of the writer; or some superstitious or affected reverence to the custom of their ancestors, whether true or false.— It may also be useful to remark, that the very same names are spelt different ways, in the old testament and in the new; because the words in the old testament are much according to the Hebrew; from whence they are translated; and the new are spelt according to the Greek: e. g. Ashdod, Azotus. Elijah, Elias. Jôshua, Jesus: Isaiâh, Elaias: Judah, Judas, Jude. &c.

† Dr Watts (art of read. pref. p. 15) is, indeed, for indulging



which there is no reason from the original—

*Particularly* (I) *one of the double letters* (1) *final* : as chaf, jag, principal, parallel, plentiful, jar. [Exc. in monosyllables (call, cell, rill, roll, full) and their compounds (recall, &c)]

(2) *in the inflexion of derivatives from primitives that end in a single consonant* : as Red : redish, réder, redeft. Sin : finest, fined ; finer ; fining. (3) *and in* bisect, britain, carot, caraway, cinamon, chapel, denys, fagot, filet, garison, leter, linen, linet, lilie, magot, fatin, velum, wagon, woollen. (II)

*the superfluous leter, in* achieve, antony, duchefs, duchy, flich, villain.

d, *in words derived from latin words without a d* :

college, oblige, &c.

e, (1) *in the past form of words that are pronounc'd without it* : as lovd, heard, &c. (2)

*in the terminatión -ey* : as country, mony, palfry, &c. (8) *in the terminations of bárytone polysyllables in -il -im -in -it -ome* :

as subtil, maritim, examin, unit, infinit : irksom, &c.

k final, *after c* ; *in the end of polysyllables, derived from the greek or latin* : as music, hypochondriac : fabric, splenetic, &c.

p, *in*

dulging the unlearned, in this case ; allowing them to spell the same word different ways (e. g. *prétious*, or *précious*) especially when it may be of use to prevent ambiguity (as, to *advise* : good *advice*) — But, most certainly, there is a better and a worse way ; and it can not be improper to point out what is *préferable* ; whatever liberties may either be allow'd, or taken.

p, in words deriv'd from such as have no p: as  
temptation, contempt, assumption, &c.

u, in words deriv'd from the latin, in -or: as  
labor, honor, terror, &c.

## 2. SUBSTITUTE

au for aw: in words deriv'd from such as have  
not a w: as caul.

-el for -le: in words deriv'd from such as have a  
vowel before the l: as battel, cattel, &c.

em- for im-: in words deriv'd from the french:  
as embarras, embarque, embalm, embellish,  
embrace, embroil, employ, &c.

-eme for -eam: as extreme, supreme, &c.

en- for in-: in words deriv'd from the french: as  
enamord, encounter, encumber, endure, en-  
force, engage, engender, engulf, enrage, en-  
tire, entrals, envelop, environ, &c.

-end for -ned: in the past form of verbs end-  
ing in -en: as softend, &c.

-erd for -red: in the past form of verbs ending  
in -er: as renderd, enterd, &c.

-ete for eat: in words deriv'd from latin words,  
in -etus: as complete, &c.

-ie for -y: in verbs, and in nouns deriv'd from the  
latin in -ia, -ium: as crucifie, victorie, &c.\*

-oke for -oak: as cloke, smoke, &c.

-oll for -owl: in words deriv'd from such as have  
no w: as roll, scroll, &c.

ph

\* This termination is more agreeable to the antient or-  
thography; and makes the persons of verbs, and the plurals  
of nouns, regular: as *I desie, thou desiest, he desies: victorie,*  
*victories.*

ph for f: in words deriv'd from the greek φ: as phansie, & phantasm, phantastic, phantom, phlegm, phrensy, sulphur, &c.

-que for -k: in words deriv'd from the french: as attaque, bisque, chequer, flasque, musquet, relique, traffique, &c.

-re for er: in words deriv'd from the french in -re, or the latin in -ra, -rum: as centre, diâmetre, fibre, filtre, maugre, meagre, sêpulchre, théâtre, &c.

s for z: in words deriv'd from such as have an s: as brâsier, elisabeth, enterprife, losenge, rasor, scissers, &c.

-se for -ce: in words deriv'd from such as have an s: as expêse, pretêse, récompense, suspêse, &c.

ti for ci: in words deriv'd from such as have a t: as ântient, grâtious, prétious, spâtious, vîtious, &c.

u for w: in words deriv'd from such as have an u: as persuâde, &c.

x for ct: in words deriv'd from such as have an x: as crucifixion, reflexion, &c.

z for s: in words deriv'd from the greek with a ζ: as anâtomize, baptize, &c.

### 3. WRITE ALSO,

from considérations grounded on the same principles,

A ry to the crime. What Peaches, and âbri- will accrûe hence but cols. He was accesso- misery? The head-ach. An

An *achievement* we call (in *héraldry*) a hatchment. Don't be *af-frayd*. Distilld in an *alembic* [*limbeck*]. Mrs *alice*. My lord *álmon-er*. An *álnager*, that looks to the assize of woolencloth. An *alarm* [in the sense of a chime for a clock] we call a *larum*. Nutmeg and *a-lum* are good for an ague. The priest's *amice* on his shoulder. He has straind his *anle*. Cleopatra, and *ántony*. Chicken, and *aspáragus* [*spár-a-grafs*]. For *assess* we commonly say *cess*: For *assizes*, *fizes*.

## B

A *báachelor* of arts. A *balance*, or pair of scales. To *balk*, or disappoint. Bring me a *basin* of water. Awhore, and a *baud*. In *béth-lehem* (when we speak of our hóspital for mad folks) we say, in bed-

lam. Good bread, and *biscuit*. He has good *blood* in his veins. Is it thorn, or *briar*? Mrs *brigid*. A *bucksom* lass. A load, or *burthen*.

## C

Boil some *cabage* with the beef. A *cag* of brandy. A *camlet*-cloak. A *carabine*, or short gun. A *carot*, and a turnep: A pair of *chamois* [*shammy*] shoes. To *chant*, or sing. Pleasd, and *cheer*-full. To *chern* milk for butter. You may *choose* which you will. Wine, and *cider*. Wild endive, or *cíchory* [*fúc-co-ry*]. A *clerk*, or clér-gyman, &c. He wears good *cloth*. A *clyster* for a purge. With a *coif* on her head. To *coil* [*quoil*] a rope, or lay the turns round upon one another. To play at *coits*. With a *collar* about his neck.

Some



## D

Some *dâmas* scenes, and other plums. The *dam-sel*, or young woman. Will he *deign*, or, vouch-safe) to do it? The lord of the manor's *demâins*. A *dénison*, or foreiner made free. Is it an ace, or a *deuce*? See, if you can *dissuâde* him. A *drachm*, we pronounce dram.

## E

An *ensign*, or streamer on the stern of a ship, is calld by sailors an *ântient*. 'Twas *esquire* (squire) pickard. In a trance, or *éxtasy*.

## F

Get you *fartber*, to the farther [fur-der] end. The *fearn* on the heath. The smell of *frants*, or fox-dung. Of a wâtery, or *firy* nature. The deluge, or *flood*. The *flook* of an anchor. To *flote* on the water. The lading, or *freight* of a ship. In *forein* countries. Is it flûm

mery, or *frúmenty* [fûr-mee-tee]? Put some *fuel* on the fire.

## G

A *gantlet*, or iron-glove. Hung on a *gib-et*. A *gill*, or quarter of a pint. A *cion*, or *graff*. A *garner*, or *grânary*. With a *grandeur* becoming him. Of a *gray* color. The *gulf* of venice.

## H

Sins of a *bainous* nature. A sergeant's *bal-bard*. A *halser* [haw-ser] a cable to hale a barge. A *banck* of *vénison*. He's troubled with the *bickup*. To *hoe-up* weeds. All his *housse-hold*, or family. Of a dark *bue*.

## I

The sweet-smelling *jasmin* [jéss-a-mee]. That man's an *îdiot*. An *indéfésible* right. An *indispénfable* obligation.

The

## K

The child has got a violent *kink-cough*.

## L

A *lacquay*, or foot-boy. A *lance*, or spear. To *lanch* a ship. A *landress*, or washer-woman. Take the *lantern*, and light him. Are you at *leisure*? Raise it up with the *lever*. A country-*lout*.

## M

A *manteau*, or loose gown. A *malkin*, to sweep an oven with. The *masbes* of a net. Of what *metal* is this buckle? 'Tis *mísselto* of the oak. A *mortise*, and tenon. He was guilty of *murther*.

## N

Nat, or *nathaniel*. A *neut* is an est. Nic, or *nicolas*.

## O

'Tis *oakam*, or loose hemp, for calking of

## (K)

ships. An *oeillet*-hole. The game of *ombre*. A garden, and *orchard*. An *estrich*, a large áfrican fowl. For *ought* I know, he ought to suffer.

## P

A fat *panch*, a lean pate. A *parsnep*, and carot. Shoes, and *pattins*. It cost a *penny*. A *perruque* we call a wig, or *périwig*. Try to *persuade* him. The lady's *péticoat*. A dove, or *pigeon*. He *piques* himself on his skill in fencing. A *placáert*, or proclamation. The *plait* of a coat. A *plaster* for a sore. The small *pocks*. A *pórringer* of milk. He had his *port-manteau* [pórt-man-tle] behind him. Milk-*potage* [por-ridge]. On what *preténse*? A *prétious* ointment. Pinks, and *prímrojes*. A *pro-fáne* person. Some *prunes*, or dried plums.

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To *pursue* those that flee.

R

To *rase*, or demolish. Give me a *recéit* for the mony. He is *réfractary*, or headstrong. Weakly people should observe a strict *régimen*. A *restive* [rusty] horse. Neither *rhyme*, nor reason. A blue *ribon*. A *rundlet* of ale.

S

Don't *santer* up-and-down so. The grave-diger, and the *sacristan* [sex-ton]. A *sash* for my gown. Puddings and *sáuciges*. He payd *scerwage*, a sort of custom. A *scéleton*, or the bones of an animal put-together as when alive. Can you *scrue* on this lock? In the chest of drawers, or the *scritore* [scrutore]. A *scutcheon*, the coat on which arms are borne. To *screen*, or shelter. A *scimitar*, a

K

broad crooked sword. A milliner, and a *seamstress*. A *searse*, or fine hair-five. Without *sense*, or reason. A *sén-tinel*, or soldier upon guard. A corporal, and a *sergeant*. A *sive*, and a riddle. Can you *solder* [fod-der] this broken buckle. A brave *söldier*. The royal *só-verain*. A globe, and a *spbere*. In *spital-square*. A saddle, and *stirup*. He has *straind* [spraind] his ancle. A *stuyver*, a dutch coin. A *subtil* fellow. A *sudden* storm. Some *suet* for a pudding. A *sur-veyer*, or overseer. Boild to a *syrop*. A *sythe*, to mow with.

T

Is that silk *táffety*? Don't *tease* the boy. A *terras-walk*. To *thresh* corn. A *trial* of skill. Some carots, and *turneps*. Don't *tweak* him, or put him in a *fret*.

The

## U

The *veil* of the temple. A fine parchment, call'd *velom*. The *pársonage*, and the *vícarage*. A baron, and

a *vicount*. Mr *vincent*.

## W

The strings of the spinét are of *wire*. A *witall*, a contented cuckold.

## ii. In A C C E N T.

*Read*

ácademy  
áceptable  
ádmirable  
advértisement  
állegory  
apóstolic  
aristobúlus  
ascertain  
ávenue  
capérnaum  
chástifement  
conféssor  
cóntrary  
contribute  
cónventicle  
cónversant  
córollary  
córrófive  
córruptible  
concupiscence  
deléctable  
distribúte  
euphrátes

*rather than*

acádemy  
accéptable  
admíirable  
advertísément  
allégory  
apostólic  
aristóbulus  
ascertain  
avénue  
capernáum  
chastísément  
cónfessor  
contráry  
cóntribute  
convénticle  
convérsant  
coróllary  
córrosive  
corrúptible  
concupíscence  
délectable  
dístribute  
éuphrates



*read*  
 gazéte  
 heraclítus  
 horízon  
 húngary  
 ódorous  
 oecónomy  
 prothónotary  
 réceptacle  
 iéfráctary  
 rétinue  
 fónorous  
 fuccéffor  
 tóward  
 útenfil

*rather than*  
 gázette  
 heráclitus  
 hórizon  
 hungáry  
 odórous  
 oéconomy  
 prothonótary  
 recéptacle  
 refráctary  
 rétinue  
 fonórous  
 fúccessor  
 towárd  
 uténfil

## II. E Q U I V O C A L S,

### THAT HAVE

#### 1. *The Same (or Nearly-the-same) Sound : but Different Spelling.*

A

1. He learns his *ác-*  
*cidence*. Many *ácci-*  
*dents* befel him.

2. A book of *ac-*  
*compts*. Of that affáir  
 we have divers *accóunts*.

3. The *air* we breathe.  
 The *estáte* he is *beir* to.

4. A pint of *ale*.

What is your *ail*, or  
*ailment* ?

5. 'Twill *alláy* the  
 pain. The *allóy* of coins.

6. He spoke *alóund*.  
 'Tis *allówd*, or granted.

7. An *altar* for *säcri-*  
*fice*. To *alter*, or change.

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8. An

8. An *ant*, or pismire. My uncle, and aunt.

9. He's an *arrant* rogue. A knight-*er-rant*, like don quixote. She's gone of an *errand*.

10. I cannot *assent* to that. A steep *ascent* up-hill.

11. With your *assistance*. The court of *assistants*.

12. An *augre* to bore-with. An *augur*, or soothsayer.

13. A carpenter's *ax*. The *acts* of the apostles.

## B

1. A *bale* of goods. To be *bail* for one.

2. He was arrested by a *bailif*. Was it nathan *bailey*?

3. To play at *ball*. Why does he *bawl* so?

4. Who was it *bawld* so? Is his head *bald*?

5. The country of *bárbarý*. Mrs *bárbará*. A *stráwberry*, and a *bárberry*.

6. On his *bare* head. Like a *bear* to the stake.

7. A *base* fellow. The *bas*-viol.

8. A green *bay*-tree. A *bey*, or governor under a dey.

9. How can that *be*? A hony-*bee*.

10. Drink some *beer*. A coffin on a *bier*.

11. The idol *bel*. Ring the *bell*.

12. The tree bears a *berry*. To *bury* the dead.

13. The wind *blew*. A *blue* color.

14. To roast, or *boil*. The swelling, and pain of a *bile*.

15. To *bore* a hole. A wild *boar*.

16. A branch, or *bough*. To *bow* the head.

17. A *bow*, and arrows. You're a great *beau*.

18. A *boy*, and a girl. The *buoy* of an anchor.

19. Well *bred*, or *edu-*

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educated. Has he *bread* to eat?

20. Horns on their *brows*. To *browse* on the grass.

21. A *brute* beast. The *bruit*, or report.

22. A *burrow* for rabbits. In the *borough* of southwark.

## C

1. At *calais*, in france. A *chalice*, or cup for the sacrament.

2. Did he *call* me? The *caul* of a wig.

3. A *cane* to walk with. Both *cain*, and *abel*.

4. The *canons* of a council. The *cannons*, or great guns.

5. A *capital* picture. The *capitol* of rome.

6. A *carat* of gold. A *carot*, and a parsnep.

7. A coach, and a cart. A sea-*chart*, or map.

8. A *cask* of brandy. A *casque*, or helmet.

9. A *cenfer* for incense. A roman *offi-*

cer, calld a *cenfor*. Did he *cenfure* your conduct?

10. He dwelt in the *champion* near falisbury. He challengd the *champion*.

11. A *checker*, one that checks. The *chequer*, or exchequer.

12. A *citern*, a musical instrument. Good *citron*-water.

13. A *civil* man. Some *sevile* oranges.

14. A *clause*, or sentence. The *claws* of a bird.

15. He wears fine *cloaths*. To *close-up* a wound.

16. A *collar* for the neck. In *choler*, and rage.

17. A *coarse* cloth. A water-*course*.

18. A *cote*, or cotage. A *coat*, and waistcoat. To *quote* an author.

19. To *cork* a bottle. To *calk* a ship.

20. To give *counsel*.

The privy *council*.

21. To *cozen*, or cheat. My aunt, and *cousin*.

22. A *cúrrier*, and a tanner. When the *cóurrier* arrivd.

## D

1. The lamb, and its *dam*. A mill-*damm*. To *damn*, or condemn.

2. A *dane*, or native of denmark. Will he *deign*, or vouchsafe to do it?

3. Night, and *day*. The *dey* of algiers, the absolute monarch there.

4. The *deer* in the park. It is *dear* at the price, my dear.

5. At the *devizes* in wiltshire. He *devises* mischief.

6. A spare *diet*. The *dyet* of poland.

7. A buck, and a *doe*. Knead the *dough*.

8. 'Twas *due* to me. The *dew* on the grafs.

9. A *dun* colour. Ha'n't he *done*.

10. The *dust* of the earth. What *dost* thou think?

## E

1. In *easter*-holidays. Our maid *esther*.

2. An *elder* of the church. An *eldar*-tree.

3. 'Twas *er*, the son of judah.. To *err*, or commit an error.

4. The town of *eton*. Is it all *eaten-up*?

## F

1. Weary, and *faint*. A *feint* in fencing.

2. Mr *fane* told me so. I would *fain* see him. To *feign*, or counterfeit.

3. Coachman, what is your *fare*? A *fair* woman in the fair.

4. A great *fault*. He *fought* bravely.

4. The *fauns*, and satyrs. He *fawns*, and flatters.

5. The *felloes* of a wheel. Wicked *fellows*.

6. A *felon*, one guilty



ty of felony. A *fellon*,  
or a *whitloe*.

7. A *fillip* with the  
finger. Mr *philip* such-  
a-one.

8. Can you *find* him.  
He was *fin'd* for the of-  
fense.

9. I'll *flay* you alive.  
A louse, and a *flea*.

10. A *fleam* to bleed  
horses with. He  
brought-up a great deal  
of *pblegm*.

11. Fine *flour* for  
bread. A *flower* in a  
garden.

12. Both *fore*, and  
aft. Three, or *four*.

13. He's gone *forth*.  
The third, or *fourth*.

14. A *foul* stink. A  
*fowl* that flies.

15. Mr *francis*. Mrs  
*frances*.

16. Does it thaw, or  
*freeze*? A *friez*-coat.

17. A *friend* of mine.  
Dr *freind*.

18. A *bacon-froise*.  
A common *phrase*, or  
way of speaking.

G

1. A *gage*, a pledge  
or surety. To *gauge*, or  
find the measure of a  
vessel.

2. In his *gesture*, or  
behaviour. A *droll*,  
or *jester*.

3. You *ghest* well.  
Was he your *guest*?

4. With a *gilt* frame.  
The *guilt* of sin.

5. The ox will *gore*  
him. The *goar* of a shift.

6. To *gigh*, and  
*groan*. He's *grown* old.

H

1. A *rabbet*, or a  
*bare*. The *hair* of the  
head. (V. Air).

2. A *bart*, or stag.  
Could you find in your  
*heart*?

3. To *bash*, or cut  
small. A *barsh* master.

4. A *hawk*, or buz-  
zard. To *bake*, and spit.

5. Will you *bear*  
me? Was he *here*, or  
there?

6. A *bearse* with a  
coffin in it. A *berce*,  
a sort

a fort of harrow in fortification.

7. Did you see *him*, or her. A *bymn*, or sacred song.

8. A *boar*-frost. A son of a *whore*.

9. A *hole* in a wall. You shall hear the *whole* matter.

10. A *hoop* for a tub. To *whoop*, and halloo.

11. A yellowish *bue*. To *bew* with an ax. Was it harry, or *bugh*?

## I

1. 'Twas *I* that did it. The apple of the *eye*.

2. Yes, *I'll* do it. An *isle*, or island.

3. An *infant*, or young child. An *infante* of spain, any of the king's sons, except the eldest.

4. Is he come-*in*? At lincoln's *inn*.

5. A *just* man. A *joust*, or tournament.

6. To *indite* a letter. I'll *indict* him.

7. A *jointer*, a sort of plane. He made his wife a *jointure*.

## K

1. A *kabin*, or temporary marriage in turkey. The *cabin* of a ship.

2. The *kan* of tartary. Who *can* bear it?

3. A *karl* cat, or a boar-cat. A *carl*, or clown.

4. A *key* for a lock. A *kay*, or wharf.

5. To *kill* a man. A brick-*kiln*.

## L

1. To *lade* water. I *layd* it there.

2. He went down the *lane*. He has *layn* there a long time.

3. A *lair*, where deer harbor by day. A brick-*layer*.

4. 'Tis *latten*, or iron tinn'd over. The *latin* tongue.

5. He *led* the horse along. Is it pewter, or *lead*?

6. An

6. An orange, and a *lemon*. A *leman*, or whore.

7. Can you say your *lesson*? To *lessen*, or make less.

8. He's *lickorish*; he loves tid-bits. Give him some *liquorice* for his cold.

9. He's gone to *lie*-down. Don't tell me a *lye*.

10. A *lier*-in-wait. He's a great *lyar*. He tun'd-up his *lyre*.

11. He broke a *limb*. To *limn*, or paint.

12. The *links* of a chain. A *lynx*, a quick-fighted beast.

13. And, *lo*, he is here. High, and *low*.

14. Clay, and *loam*. A weaver's *loom*.

## M

1. Who *made* this letter? A man, and a *maid*.

2. A coat of *mail*. A *male*-child.

3. The *main* ocean.

The *mane* of a horse.

4. How, or in what *manner*? The lord of the *manor*.

5. In the *mask*-tub. In hackney-*marsh*.

6. He drank mead in the *mead*, or meadow. He's a *mede*, or a persian.

7. Has he *meat*, to eat? To *mete*, or measure.

8. A *mite* in cheese. With all his *might*.

9. She made her *moan*. New-mown *grass*.

10. A *moat* round a house. A *mote* in the sun-beams.

11. Fewer, or *more*. A black-a-*moor*. A *mower*, with his scythe.

12. The *mues* for hawks. The cat *mews*. To *muse*, or meditate.

## N

1. Yea, and *nay*. The horse did *neigh*.

2. The *nether* millstone. 'Tis *neither* he, nor she.

3. A *no*-

3. A *novátian*, a sort of heretic. A *novátion*, or éntering into a new obligation.

O

1. O, ye athénians. Ob! that I had seen it. I owe him nothing.

2. The *oar* of a boat. Gold or silver *ore*. He said it *o'er* and *o'er*.

3. At *okebam*, in rutland. Some *oakum*, to calk ships with.

4. 'Tis *our* próper-ty. At what *hour* of the day?

P

1. A *pail* of water. He looks *pale*.

2. A throbbing *pain*. A *pane* of glafs.

3. A *pair* of buckles. To *pare-off* the rind. An apple, and a *pear*. The *payer*, and receiver.

4. The *palate* of the mouth. A *pallet*-bed.

5. A *pall* over a coffin. Peter, and *paul*. A *pawl*, a piece of money in guiney.

6. A *pause*, or stop. The cat's *paws*.

7. The *peek* of a ship. A *pique*, or grudge. The *peak* in derbyshire.

8. A *peer*, or lord. The *pier* of a haven.

9. Quills, and *pens*. Sheep-*penns*.

10. Mr *peter*. Salt-*petre*.

11. That's a *plain* case. A joiner's *plane*.

12. Are you for a pear, or a *plum*? A *plumb*-line.

13. The popish *plot*. A *plat* of ground.

14. To *poar* on a thing. At every *pore* of his body.

15. A *pole*, or staff. The *poll*-tax.

16. To *pour-out* wine. He had great *power*.

17. To *praise*, or commend. The good man *prays*.

18. Come hither, *pray*. A bird of *prey*.

19. A *précedent*, or example. A *président*, or moderator.

20. In



20. In my *presence*.  
He made me *presents*.

21. What *profit*, or  
advantage? A priest,  
and a *prophet*.

22. A mutton-pye.  
A mag-pie.

## Q

1. A *quire* of paper.  
The *choir* of a church.

## R

1. At *rack*, and man-  
ger. Some *arrack*-  
punch. A ship-*wrack*.

2. Does it *snow*, or  
*rain*? The *rein* of a  
bridle. In the last  
king's *reign*.

3. To *raise*, or lift-  
up. The *rays* of the  
sun. To *rase*, or de-  
molish a city.

4. A *raiser* of a fedí-  
tion. A *rasor*, to shave  
with.

5. To *rap*, and rend.  
To *wrap*-up in paper.

6. To *read* a book.  
A bruised *reed*. Mr  
*reid*.

7. White, and *red*.  
He *read* it yésterday.

8. To *rear*-up, or

set-on-end. In the front,  
and in the *rere*.

9. He gave several  
*reasons* for it. Currants,  
and *raisins*.

10. To *rest* in peace.  
Don't *wrest* it from  
him.

11. To *retch*, or vo-  
mit. What a *wretch*  
thou art?

12. Is it *rice*, or  
wheat? At the *rise* of  
the river.

13. Wrong or *right*,  
A *rite*, or cérimony.

14. Did he *write* it  
with a pencil? Is he a  
ship-*wright*.

15. A *rime*, or free-  
zing mist. Are they  
blank verses, or do they  
*rhyme*?

16. A wedding-*ring*.  
To *wring* a dish-clout.

17. Along the *road*.  
He *rode* on my horse.

18. Did the lion *roar*?  
The *rower*, with his oar.

19. The *roe* of a fish.  
A *row* of trees. To  
*rowe* with an oar.

20. Is the *room* here?

At

At rome, the chief city  
of italy.

21. He says it by  
*rote*. He *wrote* it yé-  
terday

22. They *rung*, or  
rang a peal. She *wrung*  
her hands.

23. 'Tis *rye*-bread.  
A *wry* face.

## S

1. The *sail* of a ship.  
A *sale* of goods.

2. To *scate* on the  
ice. That fish is a *skate*.

3. A sweet *scent*. He  
*sent* a méssenger.

4. Betwixt buyer and  
*seller*. Wine in the  
*cellar*.

5. To *shear* sheep.  
Pure *sheer* courage.

6. He threw a *sice*-  
deuce. A man of a  
small *size*.

7. The *eye-sight*.  
The *sité*, or situátion of  
a place. To *cite*, or  
summon.

8. A *sign*, or token.  
A *sine* in géometry.

9. A *signet*, or seal.

A *cygnet*, or young  
swan.

10. To *sink* in the  
mud. The *cinque*-ports,  
or five havens.

11. On mount *sion*.  
A *graff*, sucker, or *cion*.

12. A *skain* of thread.  
A *skene*, or irish short  
sword.

13. To *sight*, or de-  
spise. By *sleight* of hand.

14. A *sloe*, a sort of  
wild plum. You are  
very *slow*.

15. He said *so*. To  
*sow* corn. To *sew*, or  
stitch. A *sough*, or drain.

16. To *soar*, or mount  
on high. A *sewer* of  
cloth. A *sower* of corn.  
A *sore* place, or ulcer.

17. As *soon* as you  
can. Did he *swoon*, or  
faint-away.

18. Both *soul*, and  
body. The *sole* of the  
foot. A *soale*, a sort  
of fish.

19. When he *sound*-  
ed his horn. She *swoond*-  
away.

20. The *spire* of a  
steeple.

steeple. A *spyer* of faults.

21. A *stair-case*. To *stare* with the eyes.

22. A *stear*, a young bullock. To *steer* a ship.

23. That bird is a *starling*. He payd a thousand pound *sterling*.

24. Chips and *sticks*. The river *styx*.

25. Get over the *style*. A good *stile*, or way of writing.

26. A *stoat*, or stinking fort of ferret. A *stote*, a young horse, or bullock.

27. The ruler is *streight*, not crooked. The way is *strait*, or narrow.

28. A *stud* of horses. He *stood* in the way.

29. To *succour*, or help the poor. The *sucker* of a pump.

30. The *sum* of the whole, or a sum of money. Here are *some* of the people.

31. A four *tast*. To *taste* a thing.

32. A *symbol*, or sign. A *cymbal*, or musical instrument.

33. The *sun*, and the moon. Was it a *son*, or a daughter?

## T

1. The *tail* of a beast. A *tale*, or story.

2. The allowance for package is calld *tare*. To *tear* to pieces.

3. The land-*tax*. Some *tacks*, or small nails.

4. The *tares* in corn. She *tears* her hair.

5. Is this *their* love? Sit *there*, or in that place.

6. The king's *throne*. It was *thrown* in the pond.

7. The *tide* flows. They were *tied* together.

8. What *time* of the day? Put *thyme* in the broth.

## L

9. He

9. He is *too* severe.  
One, *two*, three.

10. The gout in the  
great *toe*. Some *tow*  
on a distaff. To *towe*,  
or hale a boat along  
the water.

11. I was *told*. The  
bell *told*.

12. The eagle *towrs*.  
Castles and *towers*.

U

1. To *veil* the face.  
A *vale*, or valley.

2. A servant's *vails*.  
The *vales*, or valleys.  
She *veils* her face.

3. A *vain* man. He  
open'd a *vein*. The  
*vane* of a weather-  
cock.

4. This son is by a  
second *venter*. Will  
he *venture* to do it?

5. A bass-*viol*. A  
glass *phial*.

6. Virtue, and *vice*.  
A smith's *vise*. A  
hoarse *voice*.

7. To put in *ure*, or  
in practise. An *ewer*,

or water-pot. Is it *your*  
book?

8. Did he *use* to do  
so? Bring the *ews*, and  
lambs.

W

1. Did he *wade*  
through the pond?  
Have 'you *weighd* the  
meat?

2. He weeps and  
*wails*. The prince of  
*wales*.

3. Great *whales* in  
the sea. He made  
*wheals* on his back.

4. Peace, and *war*.  
Then, *ware* hawk.

5. To buy good  
*wares*. What cloaths  
he *wears*?

6. Does he *waste* his  
mony? A wide *waste*,  
or desert. Tied round  
his *waist*.

7. Wine, and *water*.  
Sir *walter* yonge.

8. Do you know the  
*way* you are to go?  
Will you *weigh* it, or  
see what it weighs? A  
*wey* is 40 bushels.

9. In



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9. In windy *weather*. A *ewe*-lamb. I and  
A ram, or a *wether*. *you*.

Y

1. It is a *yew* tree. 2. A *yoke* of oxen.  
The *yelk* of an egg.

2. *A Like (or Not-much-unlike) Sound,  
with Different Spelling.*

A

1. Cain, and *abel*.  
Are you *able* to do it?

2. To *accépt*, or re-  
cève. He won't do  
it, *except* she comes.

3. He had *accès* to  
him. He drank to ex-  
*céss*.

4. In the valley of  
*achor*. An *acre* of land.  
Why so *eager* for it?

5. Vinegar, and o-  
ther *acids*. He has *as-*  
*sets*, or goods to pay  
the debts.

6. Well *adapted*, or  
fitted. An *adopted* son.

7. The *addition*, or  
adding of something.  
The *édition* of a book.

8. Brisk, and *airy*.  
Rough, and *hairy*. He  
stands *awry*. In battle  
*array*.

9. Does he drink  
*alehoof*-tea? He stands  
*aloof*, or at a distance.

10. An *alley*, in a  
street, or garden. An  
*ally*, or one in alli-  
ance.

11. Cloaths and *áli-*  
*ment*, or food. Fire is  
an *élément*.

12. An *allegátion*, or  
something alleg'd in  
proof. The rule of *al-*  
*ligátion* in arithmetick.

13. An *ápologue*, or  
fable. The prologue  
and *épilogue* of a play.

14. An *apostem* is  
vulgarly call'd an im-  
postume. An *ápozem*  
is a decóction.

15. Who *are* those  
there? Is it an *r*, or a  
*t*? In the open *air*.

16. They are *arras*,  
or

or *tâpestrey*-hangings.  
To *karafs*, or plague  
a body.

17. An *asp*, a vé-  
nomous insect. You  
may *basp* the door.

18. The *avery* for  
hories' provender. An  
*aviary*, or great cage  
for birds.

19. Say *ay*, or no.  
A sore eye. For ever,  
and for *aye*.

## B

1. He sung a *balad*.  
Chosen by *ballot*.

2. The *bans* of ma-  
trimony. The *bands*,  
or bonds of love.

3. Wheat, and *bar-  
ly*. I have it *barely* on  
his word.

4. A *baron*, or lord.  
A *barren* land.

5. On the *beack*, or  
shore. A *beech*-tree.

6. A *beacon*, or light-  
house. Did he *becken*  
with his hand? Some  
*bacon*, and eggs.

7. A *bean*, and a  
*pea*. He has *been* here.

Corn in the *bin*.

8. To *beat* with a  
stick. A *beet*-root.  
With *bate*, and strife.  
A *bait* for fish.

9. Back and *belly*.  
Don't *bely* him.

10. A wild *boar*. A  
*boor*, or country fel-  
low.

11. Did you *bolt* the  
door? Can he *bonit*  
the meal?

12. A *bony* fish. A  
*bonny* blade.

13. The *border* of a  
garment. A *bordure*  
in heraldry.

14. He *bowld* well.  
He's a *bold* man.

15. Great *breeches*,  
or gaps. Mend my  
*breeches*.

16. Can you eat  
*brewis*? He *brews*  
good drink.

17. The *bridle*, and  
saddle. The *bridal*  
torch.

18. Did he bang;  
and *buffet* him? The  
cup in the *beaufet*.

19. He is hard-by.  
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To *buy* a book.

C

1. A *cadew*, or straw-worm. A *cadet* [cadée] or younger brother, a volunteer. A *cadi*, a sort of justice-of-peace among the turks.

2. 'Tis idle *cant*. I can't do it.

A *carat* of gold. A *caret*, or mark where what is interlined is to come-in.

4. A *carnal* mind. The *kernel* of a nut.

5. He rid in a full *caréer*. A *cárrier*, that carries goods.

6. A *cauldron*, or great kettle. A *chaldern* of coals.

7. It *causes* pain. Along the *causeys*.

8. A *chair* to sit in. A *char*-woman.

9. At *champaigne* in france. Last year's *campaign*.

10. A butcher's *cleaver*. A *clever* fellow.

11. A *clod* of earth. A *clot* of blood.

12. A *cocket*, or custom-house seal. She's a *coquet*, far from a prude.

13. A *coffin* for a dead corpse. Spitting, and *coughing*.

14. A *comb* for the hair. Do, come hither.

15. A *comet*, or blazing star. To *commit* a crime.

16. Is he *coming*? Mint, and *cumin*.

17. The *common* people. To *commune*, or converse.

18. To *condemn* to death. To *contemn*, or despise.

19. To *confirm*, or prove. He'll *confirm* to any thing.

20. A *consort*, or companion. A *concert* of music.

21. A *corps* of soldiers. A dead *corpse*.

22. Great *currents* of water. Some *currents*

*rants*, and raisins. The daily *courants*.

23. The *course* of the river. Don't *curse* and swear.

24. The *creature* is subject to vanity. God, the *creator*.

25. A *crowd* of people. The cock *crowd*.

26. To *cruise* by the sea-coast. A *cruse*, or little vessel.

27. A *cuckold*, whose wife is faithless. A *cuckow*, that lays her eggs in other bird's nests.

## D

1. In *days* of old. A *dace*, a fish.

2. At his *decéase*, or death. A *diseáse*, or sickness.

3. A *debtor*, and *créditor*. To *detér* others from doing it.

4. It is *decent*, or becoming. A *descént*, or going down. To *dissént*, or disagreeé.

5. It is *deep*, or low in the earth. At *dieppe*,

a town in france.

6. To *defend* one's right. He *deaffend* us with his noise.

7. To *desér*, or put-off. To *differ*, or disagreeé.

8. With *déference* to better judgments. Is there any *difference* between you?

9. A *departer*, one who *púrifies* metals. After his *departure* from home.

10. By *dependence* on his *prómises*. The great man, and his *dependents*.

11. At *derbe*, a city in asia. In *derby*, a town in england. Some write Mr *darby*; some, Mr *derbie*.

12. With cunning *devises*. At the *devizes*, in wiltshire.

13. By *dint* of argument. A *dent*, or notch.

14. With *dire* *dismáy*. A scarlet-*dyer*.

15. A distemper, or *diseáse*. To *disséise*, or dis-



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dispossess. After his death, or *decease*.

16. A *dissolute* fellow. A *désolate* place.

17. Oranges, *ditto*, one dozen. A dismal *ditty*.

18. The *dividend*, and *divisor*. The *deviser*, or inventor.

19. To *do*, or to make. A *doe*, a female deer.

20. Have you *done*? Will he go-*down*? A great *don*, or spanish lord.

21. A *doer* of the word. The *door* of a house.

22. A flying *dragon*. A *dragoon*, or soldier that fights sometimes on horse-back, and sometimes on foot.

23. A *draught* of drink. A great *drought*, for want of rain.

24. The *dual* number. They fought a *duel*.

## E

1. An *ear* to hear.

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Where-*e'er* you go. A *year*, or twelve months.

2. He rose *early* in the morning. He does it *yearly*, or every year.

3. Did she *earn* her living? His bowels *yern* with pity.

4. The *earth*, or ground. The *hearth* of a chimney.

5. Both west, and east. Barm, or *yeft*.

6. Six, seven, *eight*. In the *aite*, where officers grow.

7. They are *éméralds*, or precious stones. The *hemorrhoids* [emrods] or piles.

8. He's an *éminent* lawyer. In *imminent* danger.

9. There are men *enów*. And *enóugh* of every thing.

10. To *enter*, or go into. To *interr*, or bury. The whole *intire*.

11. Do you *envy* him? An *envóy*, or méssen-

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messenger from one prince to another.

12. Jacob, and *esau*. Pleas'd, and *easy*. The prophet *isaiah*.

13. An *ewer*, or basin for water to wash with. A *bewer* of wood.

14. To *exercise* one's self. To *exorcise*, to cast an evil spirit out of one.

15. What is *extant*, or in being. The *extént*, or compass of a county, in length, breadth, &c.

## F

1. The *faces* of men. The *several phases*, or aspects of the moon.

2. A *falcon*, a large sort of hawk. A *fálchion*, or dagger.

3. What *figure*, or shape? With *vigour*, or briskness.

4. To *file* iron. A *foil* to set-off a thing.

5. A *flea-bite*. The coward will *flee*.

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6. He fell on the *floor*. The meal, and *flour*.

7. To *follow*, or go after one. In *fallow* ground, that lies untilld.

8. The *fur* of a hare. A *fir-tree*.

## G

1. To row in the *gallies*. Hangd on the *gallows*.

2. A *gantlet*, or military glove. To run the *gantlope*.

3. A *garden* full of fruit. He was my *guárdian*, after my father's death.

4. A *gentile*, or heathen. A *genteél* man. A *gentle* horse.

5. His *gesture*, or behavior. A *jester*, one that jests.

6. That's *glútinous*, glewy, or sticking. A *glúttanous* eater.

7. From the starting-place to the *goal*. A prison, or *goal* [jail].

8. In *grassy* fields. Among

Among *greasy* folks.

9. A *nutmeg grater*.  
Biger, or greater.

10. A *groat*, or four  
pence. A *grot*, or  
grotto.

11. Can you *guess*  
who they are? The  
landlord, or his *guess*s.

## H

1. May thy name be  
*hallowed*. It was *hól-*  
*lowed*, or made hollow.  
He whoopt, and *bal-*  
*loed*.

2. A *hamlet*, or vil-  
lage. An *ámulet*, or  
charm. An *ámelet*, or  
pancake.

3. The *handle* of the  
mug. Mr *handel*, the  
musician.

4. A *haven*, or har-  
bor. In *heaven* above.

5. To *heal* a wound.  
The *heel* of the foot.

6. A *herd* of cattel.  
Have you *heard* the  
news? 'Tis *hard*, or  
difficult.

7. The *heron*, a bird.  
The *herring*, a fish.

8. Pay him his *hire*.  
That tree is *higher* than  
this.

9. It is *his* book.  
To *hiss* like a snake.

10. To *hoe*-up weeds.  
When, and *how* did he  
do it?

11. He came *home*.  
To *whom* did you give  
it? A *holm*, a sort of  
oak. That's pea's *balm*.

12. A *holy* good man.  
He was *wholy* (or, in-  
tirely) innocent. A *hol-*  
*ly*-bush.

13. A *méttlefom*  
*horse*. A *hoarse* voice.

## I

1. In *jams*, or thick  
beds of ore. The *jamb*s  
or side-posts of a door.

2. The *ice* is fit to  
slide-on. His *eyes* are  
dim.

3. Well, *I'd* have  
you do so. Black-*ey'd*  
susan.

4. To be *idle*, or  
lazy. An *idol*, or image.

5. An idle *jester*, or  
buffoon. He has no  
*gesture*.

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*gesture* in his delivery.

6. What does that *imply*, or signify? Will you *employ* him?

7. An *impudent* fellow. With *impotent* malice.

8. It is he *indeed*. Is the affair *ended*?

9. An *ingenious* man. Be *ingenuous* with me, or tell me *honestly*.

10. An *insight* into a thing. To *incite*, or stir-up.

11. A *jointer*, a joiner's plane. His wife's *jointure*.

## K

Pharaoh's lean *kine*. He's *kind* and *generous* to all man-kind.

## L

1. A *lattise* of a window. Mrs *letice*. The herb *letuce*.

2. The *leaf* of a tree. I had as *lief* go as stay. Did he give him *leave* to go?

3. The *least* of all.

Away, *lest* he should see you.

4. He *led* him a dance. The *lid* of a box.

5. A *leper*, one that has the *léprosy*. A *leaper*, one that leaps.

6. A *lêthargy*, or sleepy illness. The *lî-turgy*, or common-prayer.

7. Yest, and *leven* for bread. Then, *leaving* the field, he ran-away.

8. A *levet* on the trumpet. A *levite*, or jewish priest.

9. At *lewes* in *suffex*. Is his name *lewis*, or denies?

10. He swarms with *lice*. He tells *lies*.

11. You may *lie* down on the bed. Did he *lay* it down there?

12. Write me this *line*. A *loin* of mutton.

13. A *liniment*, or thin ointment. Every *lineament*, or feature of his face.

14. Will



14. Will he *lose* his labor? To *loose*, or untie.

15. Sit *lower*. To *lowr*, or frown.

## M

1. A horse, and a mare. A *mere*, or lake. 'Tis *mere* nonsense.

2. What do you mean? His *mien*, air, or behavior.

3. Pinchbeck's *medal* of the duke. Don't *meddle* with him.

4. A *cucumber*, or *melon*. A *million* of men.

5. Did he *melt* the lead? The *milt*, or soft roe of a fish.

6. To *mete*, or measure. 'Tis fit, or *meet*, to meet him.

7. A *message*, or errand. A *messuage*, or tenement.

8. A *mighty* man. The *moiety*, or half. A *mity* cheese.

9. A *mild*, gentle man. Cloth *milld*, or thickend by the fuller.

10. A *mile* long. To *moil*, and toil.

11. He danc'd a *minuet*. Stay a *minute*.

12. Both *morning* and evening. In the house of *mourning*.

13. A *moth*, or butterfly. He eat a *mouthfull*.

14. A *murrain* among cattle. A *murrion*, or head-piece.

15. A *muscle* shell. To *muzzle* a dog.

16. Cambrick and *muslin*. He is *muzzling* the dog.

17. A little *mustardseed*. To *muster* the troops.

## N

1. To drive a *nail* in a board. To *neal*, or bake glass in an oven. To *kneel-down* on the ground.

2. The *nape* of the neck. A *neap* to bear up the fore-part of a loaded wagon.

3. Our *naval* forces. The *navel-string*.

4. The

4. The *nave* of a wheel. The fellow's a *knave*.

5. Clean and *neat*. A *net* for birds; and *net-weight*.

6. I have no *need* of it. To *knead* dough.

7. Was it your *nephew*, or your niece? The herb *naveau*. The royal *navy*.

8. Is it *new*, or old? I *knew* the man.

9. Day and *night*. A *knight*, and *baronet*.

10. He is *nice*, or curious. He makes a *noise*.

11. Lice, and *nits*. She *knits* stockings.

12. Say *ay*, or *no*. I don't *know*.

13. There are *none* left. Better *known* than trusted.

14. Will he *not* do it? To tie a *knot*.

## O

1. Some of the people. To stand *off* at a distance. A silly *oaf*.

2. In *oil* of olives. And I'll be sure to do it.

3. But *one*, or two. To *own*, or acknowledge. Have you lost, or *won*?

4. In good *order*. Human *ordure*, or man's dung.

5. An *orison*, or prayer. The *horizon*, or circle of the sphere, that bounds our sight.

## P

1. A *parasite*, or flatterer. A *parricide*, or *murderer* of his father.

2. In what *parish*? Thy mony *perish* with thee.

3. The *parson* of the parish. A certain *person*.

4. The *paschal lamb*. A *pasquil*, or lampoon.

5. The *pastor* of a congregation. A rich *pasture* for cattle.

6. The *patience* of job. One of the doctor's *patients*.

7. he

7. The *patron* of a church, who presents to the living. The *patern* of cloth he chose.

8. He *pays* his workmen. Beans, and *peas*.

9. War, and *peace*. A *piece* of cloth. He goes a great *pace*.

10. The *peak*, or top of a mountain. To *pick*, and choose. A *pique*, or grudge.

11. To ring a *peal* upon the bells. The *peel* of an orange. A *pill* to purge with.

12. Sold for twenty *pence*. Quills, and *pens*. Needles, and *pins*.

13. Will he *persevere*. A quick *perceiver*.

14. A *piller*, one that pills, or peels. A *pillar*, or column.

15. A *pint* of wine. The *point* of the sword.

16. To *plait* the hair. A *pewter-plate*.

17. Pastimes and *plays*. If you *please*.

18. Men-*pleasers*. Joys, and *pleasures*. M

19. A *poor* man. He sweats at every *pore*.

20. A *poplar-bough*. A *póplar* error.

21. A *poppet-show*. Opium is the juice of *poppy*. That dog is but a *puppy*.

22. Some *pórcelain*, or china-ware. Is it *purslain*, or parsley?

23. A *posy*, or nose-gay. In *póesy*, or *póetry*.

24. In the *precéding* chapter. The judge *presiding*.

25. He payd a good *price* for it. He bore away the *prize*.

26. Many *princes*. The prince and *princefs*.

27. He was the *prín-cipal* person, a man of no *prín-ciple*.

28. To *pronóunce* a word. Nouns and *pro-nouns*.

29. A haughty *proud* man. A *prude*, or *precise* woman.

## Q

1. A nasty *quean*.  
The king, and *queen*.

2. That's a *query*  
with me. The king's  
*équery*. A *quarry* of  
stone.

3. It's *quite* dead.  
To throw a *quoit*.

## R

1. Is it a hare, or  
a *rabbit*? A *rabid*  
wolf.

2. Cloath'd in soft  
*rayment*. Mr *raymond*.

3. He *rang* the  
bell. In what *rank*,  
or order.

4. A *rasor*, to  
shave with. A *rasure*,  
an erasing, or scraping  
-out any thing in writ-  
ting.

5. I love it done  
*rathe*, or, (as they vul-  
garly call it) rare. An-  
ger, or *wrath*.

6. Will you *reach*  
it me. To *retch*, and  
*vomit*.

7. A *reddish* color.  
*Horse-radish*, a root.

8. So ill, that he  
observes a strict *régi-*

*men* in his diet. A *ré-*  
*giment* of foldiers.

9. In this king's  
*reign*. A robin, and  
a *wren*.

10. A *relique*, or  
something left, or pre-  
serv'd. A *relict*, or wi-  
dow.

11. Fevers are *rife*,  
or, (as they commonly  
express it,) brief. To  
*rive*-asunder.

12. A *rigger*, one  
that rigs. He governs  
with *rigor*.

13. To *roam*, or  
wander. He is in his  
*room*.

14. He went along  
the *road*. He *rode* full-  
speed. A *birch-rod*.  
A *rood*, or quarter of  
an acre.

15. The *roof* of a  
house. As *rough* as  
a bear.

## S

1. Some *sage*-tea.  
'Tis *sedge*, or sheer-  
grass.

2. I *said* so. To  
*sate*, or glut.

3. Sin-



3. Sinners and *saints*. Ever *since* he came. A man of *sense*.

4. Avoid *satan*. Silk, and *sattin*.

5. A *satiety*, or glut. A *society*, or company.

6. The *scenes* in the play-house. The *sins* of the people. V. Saints.

7. A *saver*, rather than a spend-thrift. A sweet *savour*, or taste. Our *saviour*, and deliverer.

8. An art, or *science*. The *scions*, or shoots of a tree.

9. A storm at *sea*. Did you *see* him?

10. Is he *sealing* the letter. The *cieling* of a room.

11. At this *season* of the year. *Livery*, and *seisin*.

12. Have you *seen* him? A *scene* on the stage.

13. To *seize*, to lay-hold-of. To *cease*, or leave-off.

14. A *sentry*, or sentinel, In the last *cén-tury*. The herb *cén-taury*.

15. You may *set* it here. You may *sit* down there.

16. A *share* of the prize. To *shear* sheep.

17. To make a *show* of a thing. A *shoe* for the foot. A *shaw*, or tuft of trees.

18. A *ship*, on the sea. A shepherd, and his *sheep*.

19. To *shoot* at a mark. To *shout* for joy.

20. The isle of *sicily*. Mrs *cécily*.

21. He went through the *slough*. Swift and *slow*.

22. He's a good *soldier*. Can you *solder* this sauce-pan?

23. He has *fore-eyes*. He curst and *swore*.

24. He *soon* found his mistake. Did he fall into a *swoon*?

25. The *sóldier* with his *spear*. He lives on a *spare* diet.

26. A *hedge-stake*. A *beef-steak*.

27. A *statue*, or *éfigy*, A *statute*, or *act* of *párlia*ment.

28. To *steal*, and rob. Iron, and *steel*.

29. In the vale of *succoth*. While the child *sucketh*.

30. Her *ead* prayers in a *surplice*. The *surplus*, or what is over and above.

31. I *sweat* with heat. 'Tis *sweet* to the taste.

## T

1. He gives, and *takes*. Some *small tacks*.

2. A *talent* of money. The *talon* of a bird.

3. A fine *team* of horses. To *teem*, or pour-out.

4. He shed *tears*. Pluck the *tares* out of the corn.

5. Landlord and *tenant*. A mortise, and *tenon*.

6. According to the *tenor*, or chief import of these letters. He holds his *estáte* by a good *tenure*.

7. Bigger *than* you. Just *then*, when he came.

8. Is *the* man mad? Does he love *thee*?

9. He went *through* the hedge. A *thorough-fare*. To *throw* a stone.

10. To *tie* a knot. A *toy* or play-thing.

11. A brick, or *tile*. With *toil*, and labor.

12. What *title* has he to it? Not one jot, or *tittle*.

13. Give it *to* me. It is one of the *two*.

14. A *toast*, and butter. He was *tofs'd*, [toft] in a blanket.

15. Poker, and *tongs*. He speaks several *tongues*.

1. The

## U

1. The *umbles* of a deer. He *humbles* himself.

2. In *vacâtion*-time, or between the terms. He has an honest *vocâtion*, or calling.

3. In a dale, or *valley*. The worth, or *value* of it. Did you hear the *volley*, at the review?

4. In *utter* darkness. The inner, and the *outer* court.

## W

1. A *waiter* at a coffee-house. A *weighth*-tier load.

2. He *waits* for a fare. Heavier *weights*.

3. Pale and *wan*. To *wean* a child. He's well, I *ween*. In the *wain* of the moon.

4. 'Twas *wat* tyler. Who, or *what*?

5. He went his *way*. Curds, and *whey*.

6. Is he strong, or *weak*? Don't *wake* him out of his sleep.

A *week*, or a fortnight.

7. The common-*weal*; or common-wealth. A *wheel*, or pimple.

8. He has a *wen* on his neck. *When* did you see him?

9. A *weel*, or net for fish made of twigs. The *wheel* of a cart.

10. They *were* here. What cloaths does he *wear*? When, and *where*? Let him be-*wâre*.

11. Is it *wet*, or dry? Did you *whet* the knife?

12. I know not *whether* of them to choose. Or *whither* I shall go.

13. A son of a *whore*. A *wooer*, one that courts. He *wore* a cloak.

14. He *wields* his spear. The *wealds* of kent.

15. The isle of *wight*. Is it black, or *white*?

16. A *wile*, or strâ-*tagem*. All the *while* he was here.

17. I *wist* not who it was. Will you play a game at *whist*?

18. Then, *wo* is me. And *who* was he?

19. Many *woes* befél him. But *whose* was the book?

20. He was *wont* to do so. I *wo'n't* do it.

21. Right, or *wrong*. He *wrung* his hands.

22. He *wrote* it with his own hand. He *wrought* at the anvil.

## Y

1. The *fubbs-yacht*. A *yate* (in the north-country díalecť) is a gate.

2. *Woolen yarn*. His bowels *yern*.

3. We are, *ye* are. Say *yea*, or *nay*.

4. He's *younger* than me. A *yunker*, or young fellow.

### 3. *The Same Spelling : but Different Accent and Sense.*

## A

1. He was *ábsent*. To *absént* one's self.

2. An *ábstract*, or abridgment. To *abstráct*, or abridge.

3. The divine *átributes*. He *attribútes* this to chance.

4. The month of *áugúst*. That is great, and *augúst*.

## C

1. A *colleét*, or little prayer. To *colléét*, c gather together.

2. A *compaét*, or agreement. To *compáét*, or put-together.

3. A *compóund*, or mixture. To *compóund*, or mix-together.

4. Under safe *cónduct*. To *condúct* one home.

5. Un-



5. Under great *con-*  
*flict*. To *conflict* with  
difficulties.

6. The *confines*, or  
borders. He *confines*  
him in prison.

7. To *conjure*, or  
raise the devil. I *con-*  
*jure* you to tell me.

8. A *consult* of phy-  
sicians. To *consult*, or  
ask-counsel-of.

9. A *contest*, or dis-  
pute. To *contest*, or  
dispute.

10. A *contract*, or  
bargain. To *contract*,  
or make a bargain.

11. In sweet *con-*  
*verse*, or discourse. To  
*converse*, or discourse  
together.

12. A *convert* to  
christianity. To *con-*  
*vert*, or turn.

## D

A *désert*, or wilder-  
ness. Serve him ac-  
cording to his *désert*.  
To *désert*, or forsake.

## E

1. At the *é**nt**rance*  
of the wood. Such

music is apt to *en-*  
*tránce*.

2. An *éssay*, or trea-  
tise. To *essáy*, or try.

3. An *é**xtráct* out of  
any thing. To *extráct*,  
or draw-out.

## F

1. They are all in a  
*férment*. To *fermént*,  
or work like yeast.

2. Such *fóre-cást*, or  
contrivance before-  
hand. To *fore-cást*, or  
contrive before-hand.

3. 'Tis *fréquent* in  
our times. To *fre-*  
*quént*, or come-often-to.

## G

He is a *gállant* man.  
She has her *gallánt*.

## I

Some *íncense*, for sã-  
crifice. To *incénse*, or  
put in a rage.

## M

She'll be here in a  
*minute*. In a matter  
so *minúte*, or small.

## O

An *ó**bjéct* of charity.  
To *objéct* against a thing.

1. A

## P

1. A fair conclusion from such *prémises*. Before that, he *prémises* several things.

2. A *présent*, or gift. To *présent*, or give.

3. A *projet*, or contrivance. To *projet*, or contrive.

## R

1. A *rébel*, or disloyal subject. To *rebél* against the king.

2. A *récord*, or public monument. To *re-córd*, or write an account of.

3. The *réfuse*, the dross, or off-scouring of a thing. To *refúse*, or deny.

## T

1. The *tórmént*, or pain. To *tormént*, or put-in-pain.

2. The *tránsfer* of fice. To *transfer* from one to another.

3. In a *tránsport*, or fit of excessive joy. To *transport* into a foreign land.

## U

An *únite*, or one. To *unite*, or make one.

#### 4. The Same Spelling, and Accent : but Different Sound and Sense.

## A

1. 'Twas a vile *abúse*. Don't *abúse* [ab- uze] him.

2. Take my *advíse*. I would *advíse* [ad- vize] you.

## B

1. He was bred and *born* here. Such usage is not to be *born*.

[boarn].

2. A *bow*, to shoot with. To *bow* [bou] the head.

## C

*Cloze* [cloze] your mouth at the close of the sentence. Shut *close* [cloce] the door of the close, or enclosure.

1. To

## D

1. To *devise* mischief. A poor *devise* [de-více].

2. Don't it *diffuse* a fine smell? He is very *diffuse* [dif-fúce].

## E

How can you *excuse* him? A poor *excuse* [ex-cúce] for such a fault.

## F

A *form*, or fashion. A *form* [foarm] or bench.

## G

To *grease* a cart-wheel. With *grease* [greace] and fat.

## H

To build a *house*. To *house* [houze] the corn.

## I

A *job* of work. The patience of *job* [jobe].

## L

1. You may *lead* him along. A pound of *lead* [led].

2. They hazard their *lives*. Where *lives* he?

3. A flea, and a louse. Did he louse [louze] himself?

4. High, and low. To low [lou] or bellow.

## M

1. He *mars* all our sport. 'Tis *mars* [marse] the god of war.

2. Flour, and meal. I have eat a hearty *meal*, [meel].

## R

1. Did you *read* the news? He *read* [red] or did read.

2. To *rise* betimes. The *rise* [rice] or origin.

## S

To *sow* corn. A *sow* [sou] and pigs.

## T

To *tear* [tare] in pieces. To shed a *tear* [teer].

## U

1. To *use* one's interest. The *use* [uce] of a thing.

2. He puts it to many *uses* [u-ces]. When he *uses* [u-zes] it.

# III. ABBREVIATURES

*the most frequent*

O F

*Books, &c.*

*Cap.* Chap. caput,  
chapter.

*Seç.* Section.

*p. l. v.* Page, line, verse.

*Qu.* Question.

*Answ.* Answer.

*Obj.* Objection.

*Sol.* Solution.

*Doç.* Doctrin.

*Obs.* Observation.

*Expl.* Explication.

*fol.* folio .. *4to.* quarto .. *8vo.* octavo .. *12mo.*  
duodécimo.

## *Inscriptions.*

GEORGIUS D. G.

M. BR. FR. ET HIB.  
REX. F. D. (Georgius,  
dei gratia, magnae Bri-  
tanniae, Franciae, et  
Hiberniae rex ; fidei  
defensor.) *George, by  
the grace of god, king  
of great Britain, France,  
and Ireland, defender  
of the faith.*

BRUN. ET L.

DUX. S. R. I. A TH.  
ET EL. (Brunswigae et  
Lunenburgae dux, sa-  
cri romani imperii ar-  
chi-thesaurarius, et e-  
lector.) *Duke of Brunf-  
wick and Lunenburg,  
high-treasurer, and e-  
lector of the sacred ro-  
man empire.*

*Proper*



*Proper names, &c.**Abr.* A'braham.*Gen.* G'énesis.*Geo.* George.*E'xo.* Exodus.*Lond.* London.*Jan.* J'ánuary.*Edin.* E'dinburgh.*Feb.* F'ébruary.*E.* East.—*W.* West.—*N.* North.—*S.* South,*N. N. E.* North north-east.*W. b. S.* West and by south,*Titles, &c.**A. B.* (artium bacca-  
laureus) B'achelor of  
arts.*Gent.* G'éntleman.*Hon.* Honorable.*Abp.* Arch-bishop.*J. H. S.* (IHΣΟΥΣ)*commonly explain'd**Adm.* Admiral.*Jesus hominum ser-**A. M.* (artium magist-  
er) Master of arts.*vator) Jesus the sa-*  
*vior of men.**B. A.* b'achelor of arts.*J. N. R. J.* (Jesus na-*Bart.* B'aronet.*zarenus, rex judae-**Bp.* Bishop.*orum) Jesus of Na-**Capt.* Captain.*zareth, king of the**Col.* Colonel.*Jews.**C. S.* (custos sigilli)  
keeper of the seal.*J. U. D.* (juris utrius-  
que doctor) Doctor*D.* Duke.*of laws (viz. the ci-**Dr.* Doctor.*vil, and the canon**D. D.* Doctor of di-  
vinity.*laws).**E.* Earl.*Kt.* Knight.*L. or Ld.* Lord.*Esq.* Esquire.*L. C. J.* Lord chief*F. R. S.* Fellow of the  
royal society.*justice.**Lient.*

|                                                            |                                                                                                   |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Lieut.</i> Lieutenant.                                  | of mathematics.                                                                                   |
| <i>Lp.</i> Lordship.                                       | <i>R.</i> (rex, or regina) king, <i>or</i> queen—As                                               |
| <i>La<sup>p</sup>.</i> Ládyship.                           | <i>W. R.</i> (king william) <i>A. R.</i> (queen Anne) <i>C. R. II.</i> (king Charles the second). |
| <i>L. L. D.</i> (legum doctor) Doctor of laws.             | <i>Rev.</i> Réverend.                                                                             |
| <i>M.</i> Marquess.                                        | <i>Rt. Hon.</i> Right honorable.                                                                  |
| <i>M. A.</i> (magister artium) master of arts.             | <i>St.</i> Saint.                                                                                 |
| <i>M. D.</i> (medicinae doctor) Doctor of physic.          | <i>S. T. P.</i> (sacrae theologiae professor) professor in divinity.                              |
| <i>Mr.</i> Master.                                         | <i>Sr.</i> Sir.                                                                                   |
| <i>Mrs.</i> Mistress.                                      | <i>Wp.</i> Worship.                                                                               |
| <i>P. G. A.</i> Professor of astronomy in Gresham college. | <i>Wp<sup>u</sup>.</i> Wórshipful.                                                                |
| <i>Philomath.</i> (philomathemáticus) A lover              |                                                                                                   |

&c.

|                                                                            |                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>A. D.</i> or <i>Ann. dom.</i> (anno dómini) In the year of our lord.    | <i>b. e.</i> (hoc est) That is (to say).                                       |
| <i>B. V. M.</i> Blessed virgin Mary.                                       | <i>Ibid.</i> (ibidem) There, <i>or</i> , In the same place, <i>or</i> passage. |
| <i>C. C. C.</i> Corpus Christi college.                                    | <i>Id.</i> (idem) The same.                                                    |
| <i>D<sup>o</sup></i> (ditto) the sayd, <i>or</i> the same.                 | <i>i. e.</i> (id est) That is (to say).                                        |
| <i>E. G.</i> or <i>ex. gr.</i> (exempli gratia) For example: For instance. | <i>M. S.</i> Mánuscript.                                                       |
|                                                                            | <i>MSS.</i> Mánuscripts.                                                       |
|                                                                            | <i>M. S.</i> (memóriae [or mánibus] sacrum) sacred                             |

facred to the mémo-  
ry.

*N. B.* (nota bene)  
Note, or mark well.

*N. S.* New stile.

*O. S.* Old stile.

*Pen* or *penult* (penúl-  
tima) last but one.

*Per cent.* (*per centum*) by  
(or in) the hundred.

*P. S.* Postscript.

*Q. D.* (quasi dicas)  
as much as to say.

*Q. E. D.* (quod erat de-  
monstrandum) which  
was the thing to be  
demonstrated.

*S. S. T.* (sacrosancta  
theología) most ho-  
ly divinity.

*Sc.* or *Scil.* (scilicet)  
To wit; or, that is.

*Ult.* (últimus) the last.

*V.* or *Vid.* (vide) See.

*V. G.* (verbi gratia)  
for example.

## IV. NUMBERS.

|           |    |       |       |       |       |           |            |
|-----------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|------------|
| One       | I  | I     | i     | xx    | XX    | 20        | twenty     |
| two       | 2  | II    | ii    | xxx   | XXX   | 30        | thirty     |
| three     | 3  | III   | iii   | xl    | XL    | 40        | forty      |
| four      | 4  | IV    | iv    | l     | L     | 50        | fifty      |
| five      | 5  | V     | v     | lx    | LX    | 60        | sixty      |
| six       | 6  | VI    | vi    | lxx   | LXX   | 70        | seventy    |
| seven     | 7  | VII   | vii   | lxxx  | LXXX  | 80        | eighty     |
| eight     | 8  | VIII  | viii  | xc    | XC    | 90        | ninety     |
| nine      | 9  | IX    | ix    | c     | C     | 100       | hundred    |
| ten       | 10 | X     | x     | cc    | CC    | 200       | hundred    |
| eleven    | 11 | XI    | xi    | ccc   | CCC   | 300       | hundred    |
| twelve    | 12 | XII   | xii   | cd    | CD    | 400       | hundred    |
| thirteen  | 13 | XIII  | xiii  | d     | D     | 500       | hundred    |
| fourteen  | 14 | XIV   | xiv   | dc    | DC    | 600       | hundred    |
| fifteen   | 15 | XV    | xv    | dcc   | DCC   | 700       | hundred    |
| sixteen   | 16 | XVI   | xvi   | dccc  | DCCC  | 800       | hundred    |
| seventeen | 17 | XVII  | xvii  | decec | DCCCC | 900       | hund.      |
| eighteen  | 18 | XVIII | xviii | m     | M     | 1000      | thousand   |
| nineteen  | 19 | XIX   | xix   | ccioo | CCIOO | 10000     | ten        |
|           |    |       |       |       |       | 1.000,000 | a million. |

*In Numeral Letters*

(I. 1. V. 5. X. 10. C. 100. D. 500. M. 1000.)  
 A less number, *afore*, abates; *after*, encreases.  
 IV 4. IX 9. XL 40. XC 90 : VI 6. XIV 14.  
 XIX 19. XXIX 29.—MDCCXLIX 1749.

*In Arabic Characters*

*Périod* (six figures) by threes, write and read:  
 to wit, Units, Tens, Hundreds.

*Commas*, note 1 thousands; *Dots*, *Périods*: 2d  
 Millions, 3d Trillions, and so on.

| Trillions | Millions  | Thous. | hund. | tens | units |
|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| 123, 321. | 123, 321. | 123,   | 3     | 2    | 1     |

*Which read thus :*

One hundred twenty three thousand, three hundred twenty one trillions—and, so, the rest.

## V. M A R K S.

*Quotations,* by

“ *Commas* right, or inverted; single, or double; ”

*References,* by

<sup>2</sup> *Supérieur figures*: toward the top of a word.

<sup>a</sup> *Supérieur letters*; single, or in parenthesis<sup>(a)</sup>

\* *Asterisks*, *Asterisks*, or *Stars*.

+ *Obelisks*, or *Spits*, or *Daggers*. +

§ *Séctions*, or *Subdivisions* of a chapter.

¶ *Pára-*



- ¶ *Páragraphs*, or *Breaks*, Lines indented,  
 || *Párallels*: or, Lines equidistant.

*On Other occasions :*

- ' *Apóstrophe*, instéad of a letter left-out.  
 { *Brace*: to couple lines, &c. together.  
 [ ] *Bracket*: to inclóse explicátions, synonyms  
 &c.  
 ^ *Caret*: where words, interlind, are to come-in.  
 .. *Diálysis*: to divide the vowels of a diph-  
 thong: as in *poëm*.  
 — *Ellipsis*: between the first and final letters.  
 - *Hypben*: to distinguish syllables, connect  
 compound words, &c.  
 ☞ *Index*: pointing to something remarkable.

## VI. GRAMMAR

Diréctions for learning a language.

*Parts of Grammar,*

2: *Análogy, and Syntax.*

*Análogy* confiders words; *to wit*, their parts and áccidents.

*Syntax* teaches how to put words together, to exprés our thoughts.

Ana-)

WORDS,

(logy

By *Spécies*, are either (1) *Simple*, as Thing; or  
(2) *Compound*, as Nothing\*.

\* *Compounds with Prepositions.*

GREEK: *Amphi*: on either side: as *amphithéatre*; q. d. a théâtre on each side.

*Ana*: again: *anabaptist*; one, who is for baptizing again those that have been baptiz'd in their infancy,

*Anti*: against: *anti-christ*, one against (or in opposition to) Christ.

*Apo*: from: *apostle*; one sent from, or by another, with a commission.

*Dia*: through, or mixt with; *diá-phanous*; transparent, that may be seen through: *diá-chylon*; a plaster made up of a mixture of mucilages, or viscid juices.

*Epi*: on, in, to: *épi-taph*, something writ upon a tomb.

*Hyper*: above: *hypercritic*; one above an ordinary critic.

*Hypo*: under: *hypo-chondria*; the parts under the cartilages of the ribs; viz, the liver, spleen, &c.

*Meta*: beyond: *metaphysics*; a science beyond physics.

*Peri*: about, around: *periphrasis*; a circumlocution, or round-about way of expressing a thing.

*Syn*: together, with: *synopsis* a view of things together, or in a short compass.—*sympathy*; a suffering with another.

LATIN: *Ab*: from: *abuse*; the turning a thing from its proper use.

*Abst*: from: *abstain*; to hold, or keep from.

*Ad*<sup>1</sup>: to: *adjoin*; to join-to.—<sup>2</sup> *Ad* turns *d* (1) into *c, f, g, l, n, p, r, s, t*, before the said letters: as *ac-cépt*, *af-firm*, *ag-gravate*, *al-lure*, *an-nèx*, *ap-point*, *ar-rive*, *af-sign*, *at-tend*. (2) into *c*, before *k* and *q*: as *ac-know-ledge*, *ac-quaint*.

*Ante*: before: *antedate*; to date before the true date.

*Circum*: about, or around: *circumscribe*; to draw round.

*Con*<sup>2</sup>: with, or together: *concourse*; a flocking together.

<sup>2</sup> *Con* turns *n* into *l, m, r* before the same: as *col-lèct*, *com-mit*, *cor-rúpt*.

Con-

## WORDS,

By Figure, are either (1) *Primitive*, as Man;  
or (2) *Derivative*, as Manly †.

*Contra*: against: *contradict*; to speak against ———  
*Countermand*; to command against, or set-aside a former order.

*De*: from, down: *deduce*; to infer from: *descend*; to go-down.

*Di*: asunder: *divert*; to turn ones thoughts various ways.

*Dis*<sup>3</sup>: asunder, not: *dissipate*; to scatter-abroad: *disagree*; not to agree. ———<sup>3</sup> *Dis* turns *s* into *f* before the same: as *disfuse*.

*E*: out: *eject*; to cast-out.

*Ex*<sup>4</sup>: out: *exclude*; to shut-out. ———<sup>4</sup> *Ex* turns *s* into *f* before the same: as *ef-face*.

*Extra*: beyond: *extraordinary*; beyond what is ordinary.

*In*<sup>5</sup>: not: *inhuman*; not-humane. FRENCH: *En-joy*: *em-broider*, *em-ploy*. ———<sup>5</sup> *In* turns *n* (1) into *l*, *m*, *r* before the same: as *il-lumin*, *im-mense*, *ir-rational*. (2) into *m*, before *b* and *p*: as *im-bibe*, *im-pute*.

*Inter*: between: *interline*; to put between two lines. —  
FRENCH: *Enter-tain*.

*Intro*: into, or within: *introduce*; to bring in.

*Ob*<sup>6</sup>: against: *obtrude*; to thrust-upon, or against. ———

<sup>6</sup> *Ob* changes *b* into *c*, *f*, *p* before the same: as *oc-curr*, *offer*, *op-pose*.

*Per*: through: *perforate*; to pierce-through: *pellucid*; that shines-through.

*Post*: after: *postscript*; something writ after.

*Pre*: before: *predict*; to tell before-hand.

*Preter*: besides: *preternatural*; out of the course of nature.

*Pro*: for, forth, forward: *provide*; to take-care for: *produce*; to bring-forth: *proceed*; to go-on. FRENCH:

*Pour-tray*: *pur-sue*.

*Re*: again, back: *reenter*; to enter again: *return*; to turn back again.

*Retro*: backward: *retrograde*; going-backward.

*Se*: without, apart, or by it self: *secure*; without care: *seduce*; to carry from, or apart.

Sub

## Kinds of Words,

## 4: Noun, Adnoun, Verb, Particle.

*Sub*<sup>7</sup>: under: *subscribe*; to write under. — <sup>7</sup> *Sub* turns *b* into *c*, *f* *g*, *p* before the same: as *sub-car*, *sub-fer*, *sub-gest*, *sub-pose*.

*Subter*: under: *subterfuge*; an escaping under-hand.

*Super*: on, over, or above: *super-scription*; a writing upon: *supernatural*; above, or beyond nature. — FRENCH: *sur-priſe*.

*Trans*<sup>8</sup>: over, beyond, or from place to place: *trans-ition*; a going-over to: *transparent*; that may be seen through: *transgression*; a going-beyond: *transplant*; to remove to another place. — <sup>8</sup> *Trans* loses (1) *s*, before *s*: as *trans-cend*. (2) *ns*, in *tra-dition*, *tra-duce*, *tra-verſe*.

## † Derivatives distinguished by their Terminations.

*Able* — after Nouns; full-of: as *charit-able* — after Verbs; that may, or deserves to be: as *tame-able*, *blame-able*.

*Age*: appertaining-to: as *cord-age*, *peer-age*.

*Dom*: denotes office, possession, privilege: as *pope-dom*, *king-dom*, *free-dom*, *thral-dom*.

*Ee* denotes a person invested with a trust, or office: as *legat-ee*, *patent-ee*.

*Eer*, that has to do with: as *musket-er*, *garret-er*.

*En*: consisting of: as *gold-en*.

*Er*, — after Nouns, denotes the inhabitant: as, a *burgh-er*, a *london-er* — after Verbs, the doer: as *read-er*.

*Et* is diminutive: as *cast-et*, *jack-et*, *lack-et*.

*Fold*, after Numerals, expresses the variety: as *three-fold*, *many-fold*.

*Ful*: that abounds-with: as *joy-ful*.

*Head, Hood*, signify state and condition, or quality: as *maiden-head*, *widow-hood*.

*Hold* signifies possession: as *free-hold*, *copy-hold*, *house-hold*.

*Ible*: full-of, that may be: as *terr-ible*, *fall-ible*.

*Iſh* — in the end of a Noun, expresses the quality of it: as *child-iſh* — after an Adnoun, abates the sense of it, as *black-iſh*.



## Accidents of Words,

5: Numbers, Genders, Degreés, Tenses, Persons\*.

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*Ist* denotes a person to be of such a party, sect, búiness, &c.  
as *imperial-ist*, *chem-ist*, *herbal-ist*.

*Kin* is diminutive: as *lamb-kin*, *tom-kin*.

*Less*: void of: as *care-less*.

*Like* signifies resemblance, or addicted-to: as *god-like*,  
*war-like*.

*Ling* is diminutive: as *duck-ling*, *gos-ling*, *dar-ling*.

*Ly* (*lie*) of the nature of, or belonging to: as *father-ly*,  
*heaven-ly*.

*Ment*, after a Verb, turns it into a Noun: as *command-ment*,  
*judg-ment*.

*Ness*, after Adnouns, makes them Nouns, importing the  
essence, or quality: as *white-ness*.

*Ous*, that abounds-with: as *joy-ous*.

*Ship* signifies endowment, privilege, office, employment,  
or condition: as *scholar-ship*, *fellow-ship*, *king-ship*,  
*partner-ship*, *court-ship*.

*Som*: that is full of, or abounds with: as *trouble-som*.

*Th*, in the end of words, makes them Nouns, importing the  
essence or quality: as *warm-th*, *steal-th*.

*Ward* denotes situation: as *out-ward*.

*Wise*: in the manner of: as *altar-wise*.

*Y*: possést-of: or abounding-with, or belonging-to: as *angr-y*,  
*fisher-y*, *soldier-y*.

\* In other Languages, there are other accidents of words,  
such as *cases*, *moods*, *voices*, &c. whence the distinction  
of Declensions, Conjugations, &c. But an account of them  
(here) would be improper, and useless: because, in the En-  
glish language, they are not exprest by the inflexions of the  
terminations; but by the addition of particles, or auxiliary  
verbs.

Noun.

**Noun**

is the Name of *a thing* : as *man, thou.*

**NUMBERS :**

2 : *Singular and Plural.\**

*Singular* : of one ; as *a Song*

*Plural* : of more ; as *Songs*

**GENDERS :**

2 : *Másculin and Féminin.†*

*Másculin denótes Males* ; as *an Actor* :

*Féminin denótes Females* ; as *an Actress.*

\*Plurals (*where necessary*) add -es : -f *impure* [i.e. after a conf.]  
-fe, *make* -ves : as *aCHes, aSHes, aSSes, aXes* : *halVes, wiVes.*

† *Másculins and Féminins are distinguished*

1. *By different Terminations* (1) *added* : *Baron, bároness.* *Count, countess.* *Deacon, déaconess.* *Heir, heirs.* *Jew, jewess.* *Lion, lions.* *Patron, pátroness.* *Poët, poets.* *Priest, priests.* *Prior, priores.* *Prophet, prophets.* *Shepherd, shépherdess.* *Sultan, sútaness.* *Viscount, viscountess.* *Hero, héroin.* (2) *alterd* : *Abbot, abbess.* *Actor, actress.* *Adúlterer, adúteress.* *Beau, belle.* *Hunter, huntress.* *Tiger, tigress.* ·· *Administrator, administratrix.* *Exécutor, exécutrix.*

2. *By distinctive Appellations* : (1) *most commonly, by He, she* ; *Male, female* : as *He-goat, she-goat.* *Male-tiger, female-tiger.* (2) *sometimes by Others* : as *Buck-rat, doe-rat.* *Bull-calf, doe-calf.* *Cock-chick, hen-chick.* *Pea-cock, peahen.* *Dog-puppy, bitch-puppy.* *Horse-colt, mare-colt.* *Mán-servant, maid-servant.* *Ram-lamb, ewe-lamb.*

3. *By different Names* : *Bachelor, spinster.* *Boar, sow.* *Boy, girl.* *Bride-groom, bride.* *Brother, sister.* *Buck, doe.* *Bull, cow.* *Bullock, heifer.* *Cock, hen.* *Dog, bitch.* *Drake, duck.* *Duke, duchess.* *Earl, countess.* *Emperor, empress.* *Father, mother.* *Gallant, mistress.* *Gander, goose.* *He, she.* *Horse, mare.* *Husband, wife.* *King, queen.* *Knight, dame.* *Lad, lass.* *Lord, lady.* *Male, female.* *Man, woman.* *Marquiss, marchioness.* *Matter, mistress.* *Nephew, niece.* *Pander, bawd.* *Monk, nun.* *Ram, ewe.* *Sir, madam.* *Sloven, flattern.* *Son, daughter.* *Stag, hind.* *Stállion, breeder.* *Uncle, aunt.* *Whoremonger, whore.* *Widower, widow.* *Wizard, witch.*

## Adnoun

is the Quality of a Noun; as *good, the*:  
known by the addition of a noun: as  
*good men, the things.*

## DEGREES

of Comparison,

3: Positive, Comparative, Superlative.

|               |          |      |            |
|---------------|----------|------|------------|
| Positive :    | as Fine  | Fair | or         |
| Comparative : | — R ———  | ER   | more fair. |
| Superlative : | — ST ——— | EST  | most fair. |

## Verb

affirms; and signifies to Do, or to Be: as  
*to love, I am, come-along.*

## TENSES

(*through which a Verb is Form'd*)

2: Present and Past.

Present-form: I love, I plant.

Past-form: I loved, I planted.

Note: the Past-form may be call'd  
*Præterit*, when us'd without auxiliaries;  
as, I loved yesterday:

*Participle*, when us'd with auxiliaries;  
as, I am loved, I have loved.

## PERSONS

(*through which a Verb is Declin'd*)

3: in each number:

Singular: I find, thou findest, he finds.

Plural: we find, ye find, they find.

*Such as end in e,*

Thus: I love, thou lovest, he loves,  
we love, ye love, they love.

*Past form*

of *such as end in d*: I loved, thou lovedst, &c.  
of *others, thus*: I saw, thou sawest, &c.

## Particle

any word that is not a noun, adnoun, or verb:  
as *ob!* (interjection) *and* (conjunction)  
*from* (preposition) *finely* (adverb.)\*

## \* INTERJECTIONS

*párticles, that exprés the pássions.*

*Alás!* is he dead, and gone? — *Fie*, for shame. —  
*Fob!* what a stink is here? — *Hab!* art thou there?  
— *Hem!* say you so? — *Hey day!* where have  
you been? — *Hip!* you, sir; whither are you going? —  
*Hist!* *Hush!* silence, there! — *Mum!* for that. —  
O times! o manners! — *Ob!* that I was at rest! —  
*Pish:* *Pshaw:* who cares? — *Shab:* that's foolish.  
— *Sobo:* who's within? — *Aláck*, and a *Wel-adáy!*

## PREPOSITIONS

*párticles which (befóre words) denóte some mode of 'em.*

He soars *abóve* the clouds — They ran *abóut* the  
town — The day *after* to-morrow — They marcht  
*against* the énemy — Sailing *alóng* the shore —  
He fell *amóng* thieves — Was he *at* home? — Was  
it *befóre* the door, or *behind* it? — That is *beside* the  
purpose — Crúci<sup>fi</sup>ed *betwén* two thieves — Far  
*beyónd* the mountains — Was it made *by* him? —  
Carried *down* the stream. — Did you make it *for*  
him — He fell *from* the house-top — He live *in*  
that house — He is just gone *into* it — A purse *of*  
gold — He took it *off* the ground — It lies *on*  
the table — With a cánopy *over* his head — Coming  
*out-of* the house — Riding *round* the ring — The  
bullet went *through* his body — He travel<sup>d</sup> *throughóut* the  
kingdom; and came *to* town — His good-will *toward* me —  
Found *under* the table — They say<sup>d</sup> *unto* him —  
You may depend *upón* me — He came *alóng with* him  
— Is he *withín* doors? — Can you do it *withóut*  
my help? —

## CONJUNCTIONS

*párticles, that impórt connéxion, or dépendence.*

I, *and* my father *also* — Just *as* the door *on* its hinges;  
so



Syn-) PROPOSITIONS (-tax

are of two Sorts :

Affertions and Questions.

1. *An Affirmative Affertion* : Boys love—books.
2. *A Negative Affertion* : Boys love not books.
3. *An Affirmative Quéstion* : Do boys love books?
4. *A Negative Quéstion* : Do not boys love books?

*in which*

The Verb must agréé with the Noun

in Number and Pérsonal-ending.

Of the *first* person are 'I, me: We, us'

Of the *second*, 'Thou, thee: Ye, you'

Of the *third*, 'All others.'

so he, on his bed — He did it *because* he would : *but*,  
mind the conséquence — He meant *either* me, or my bro-  
ther — None were sav'd ; *except* it was he ; and his fami-  
ly : *for* all flesh had corrupted their ways. — I suspect  
him : *however* I am willing to trie him — That is *neither*  
here, nor there : *nevertheless* you may do your own pleasure.  
— Not a man, *nor* even a woman was privy to it —  
I believe it, *notwithstanding* what you tell me. — I saw him,  
*or*, at least, I fancied so — He is ill-natur'd : *otherwise*  
he is a good sort of a man — Well *since* [seeing] it cannot  
be cur'd, it must be endur'd — As the fool thinks, *so* the  
bell clinks — What ne d, *then*, was there of so much ex-  
pense ? — I think ; *therefore* I am — I cannot comply,  
*though* I strive ever so much — You will be wretched, *un-*  
*less* you repént — He is deep in debt : *yet* he spends all he  
can get.

### ADVERBS

*particles, that do not come under the class of*  
*Interjections, Prepositions, Conjunctions.*

as How, when, whence, where, whither, why, &c.  
-ly the common ending : as finely, &c.

## I R R E G U L A R

## NUMBERS.

|       |                 |       |              |       |               |
|-------|-----------------|-------|--------------|-------|---------------|
| chick | <i>chicken</i>  | louse | <i>lice</i>  | staff | <i>staves</i> |
| child | <i>children</i> | man   | <i>men</i>   | that  | <i>those</i>  |
| die   | <i>dice</i>     | mouse | <i>mice</i>  | this  | <i>these</i>  |
| foot  | <i>feet</i>     | ox    | <i>oxen</i>  | tooth | <i>teeth</i>  |
| goose | <i>geese</i>    | penny | <i>pence</i> | woman | <i>women</i>  |

## DEGREES.

|             |        |       |               |      |       |
|-------------|--------|-------|---------------|------|-------|
| <i>Bad</i>  | worse  | worst | <i>Little</i> | less | least |
| <i>Good</i> | better | best  | <i>Much</i>   | more | most  |

## PERSONS.

| <i>I</i> | <i>thou</i>  | <i>he</i>    | <i>We</i>   | <i>ye</i> | <i>they</i> |
|----------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| am       | <i>art</i>   | <i>is</i>    | <i>are</i>  | are       | are         |
| can      | <i>canst</i> | <i>can</i>   | can         | can       | can         |
| do       | <i>dost</i>  | <i>does</i>  | do          | do        | do          |
| go       | <i>goest</i> | <i>goes</i>  | go          | go        | go          |
| have     | <i>hast</i>  | <i>has</i>   | have        | have      | have        |
| may      | <i>mayst</i> | may          | may         | may       | may         |
| shall    | <i>shalt</i> | <i>shall</i> | shall       | shall     | shall       |
| was      | <i>wast</i>  | was          | <i>were</i> | were      | were        |
| will     | <i>wilt</i>  | <i>will</i>  | will        | will      | will        |

## PRETERITS and PARTICIPLES.

*In some, the Préterit and Párticiple are the same.*

|         |               |        |                 |       |              |
|---------|---------------|--------|-----------------|-------|--------------|
| *Abide  | <i>abode</i>  | Besech | <i>besought</i> | Bring | brought      |
| Awake   | <i>awoke</i>  | Bind   | bound           | Build | <i>built</i> |
| Bend    | <i>bent</i>   | Bleed  | bled            | Buy   | bought       |
| Bereave | <i>berest</i> | Breed  | bred            | Can   | could        |

\* Read all, with *I* before each word. Catch

|         |                 |        |               |        |                 |
|---------|-----------------|--------|---------------|--------|-----------------|
| Catch   | <i>caught.</i>  | Lay    | layd          | Sling  | <i>slung.</i>   |
| Cling   | <i>clung</i>    | Lead   | led           | Speed  | <i>sped</i>     |
| Creep   | <i>crept</i>    | Lend   | lent          | Spend  | <i>spent</i>    |
| Dig     | <i>dug.</i>     | Lose   | lost          | Spin   | <i>spun.</i>    |
| Ding    | <i>dung</i>     | Make   | made          | Spit   | <i>spate</i>    |
| Feed    | <i>fed</i>      | May    | <i>might</i>  | Stand  | <i>stood</i>    |
| Feel    | <i>felt</i>     | Meet   | met           | Stick  | <i>stuck</i>    |
| Fight   | <i>fought</i>   | Pay    | payd          | Sting  | <i>stung</i>    |
| Find    | <i>found</i>    | Rend   | <i>rent.</i>  | String | <i>strung</i>   |
| Flee    | <i>fled</i>     | Say    | sayd          | Swing  | <i>swung</i>    |
| Fling   | <i>flung</i>    | Seek   | <i>fought</i> | Teach  | <i>taught</i>   |
| Fraight | <i>fraught.</i> | Sell   | fold          | Tell   | <i>told</i>     |
| Geld    | <i>gelt.</i>    | Send   | fent          | Think  | <i>thought</i>  |
| Gild    | <i>gilt.</i>    | Shall  | <i>should</i> | Weed   | <i>wed.</i>     |
| Gird    | <i>girt.</i>    | Shine  | <i>shone.</i> | Weep   | <i>wept</i>     |
| Grind   | <i>ground.</i>  | Shite  | <i>shit</i>   | Will   | <i>would</i>    |
| Hang    | <i>hung</i>     | Shoe   | <i>shod</i>   | Win    | <i>won</i>      |
| Hear    | <i>heard</i>    | Shread | <i>shred</i>  | Wind   | <i>wound.</i>   |
| Have    | <i>had</i>      | Sit    | fate          | Work   | <i>wrought.</i> |
| Keep    | <i>kept</i>     | Sleep  | <i>slept</i>  | Wring  | <i>wrung</i>    |

*In some, the Præterit and Participle are Different.*

|        |                |                  |        |                |                 |
|--------|----------------|------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|
| Am,    | was            | *been            | Cleave | <i>clove.</i>  | <i>cloven :</i> |
| Bear   | bore           | <i>börn :</i>    | Come   | came           | come            |
| Beat   | beat           | <i>beaten :</i>  | Crow   | <i>crew.</i>   | <i>crown.</i>   |
| Begin  | <i>begán ;</i> | <i>begún</i>     | Dare   | <i>durst.</i>  | dared           |
| Bid    | <i>bade</i>    | <i>bidden :</i>  | Die    | died           | dead            |
| Bite   | bit            | <i>bitten :</i>  | Do     | did            | done            |
| Blow   | <i>blew.</i>   | <i>blown.</i>    | Draw   | <i>drew.</i>   | <i>drawn.</i>   |
| Break  | <i>broke</i>   | <i>broken :</i>  | Drink  | <i>drank ;</i> | drunk           |
| Chide  | <i>chid.</i>   | <i>chidden :</i> | Drive  | <i>drove</i>   | driven          |
| Choose | <i>chose</i>   | <i>chosen :</i>  | Eat    | eat, ate       | <i>eaten :</i>  |

\* Read the Participles with I have.

|              |                 |                 |        |                 |                   |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Fall         | fell            | fallen          | Sing   | <i>sang</i> ;   | fung              |
| Fly          | flew            | flown           | Sink   | <i>sank</i> ;   | funk              |
| Forf-áke-óok | -aken :         |                 | Slay   | flew            | slain             |
| Freeze       | froze           | <i>frozen</i> : | Slide  | <i>slid</i> .   | <i>slidden</i> :  |
| Get          | got             | <i>gotten</i> : | Smite  | <i>smit</i>     | <i>smitten</i> :  |
| Give         | gave            | given           | Sow    | sowd            | <i>sown</i> .     |
| Go           | went            | gone            | Speak  | <i>spoke</i>    | <i>spoken</i> :   |
| Grow         | grew            | grown           | Spring | <i>sprang</i> ; | <i>sprung</i>     |
| Hew          | hewd            | <i>hewn</i> .   | Steal  | stole           | <i>stolen</i> :   |
| Hide         | hid             | <i>hidden</i> : | Stink  | <i>stank</i> ;  | stunk             |
| Hold         | held            | <i>holden</i> : | Stride | <i>strode</i>   | stridden          |
| Know         | knew            | known           | Strike | struck          | <i>stricken</i> : |
| Lie          | lay             | lain            | Strive | strove          | striven           |
| Mow          | mowd            | <i>mown</i> .   | Swear  | <i>swore</i>    | <i>sworn</i> :    |
| Ride         | rid             | <i>ridden</i> : | Swell  | swelld          | <i>swollen</i> .  |
| Ring         | <i>rang</i> ;   | rung            | Swim   | <i>swam</i> ;   | swum              |
| Rise         | <i>rose</i>     | risen           | Take   | took            | taken             |
| Run          | <i>ran</i> ;    | run             | Tear   | tore            | <i>torn</i> :     |
| See          | saw             | seen            | Thrive | throve          | thriven           |
| Seethe       | feethd          | fodden          | Throw  | threw           | thrown            |
| Shake        | shook           | <i>shaken</i> : | Tread  | trod            | <i>trodden</i> :  |
| Shear        | <i>shore</i>    | <i>shorn</i> :  | Wear   | wore            | <i>worn</i> :     |
| Show         | showd           | <i>shown</i> .  | Weave  | wove            | <i>woven</i> :    |
| Shoot        | shot            | shotten         | Write  | <i>writ</i>     | <i>written</i> :  |
| Shrink       | <i>shrank</i> ; | shrunk          |        |                 |                   |

\* VARIATIONS of the *Préterits* and *Párticiples* in Italic. (I) Those with a *périod* admit also the regular form. (II) For the *Párticiples* with a *colon*, is us'd the *préterit*-form also. (III) For the *Préterits* with a *semicolon* is us'd the *párticiple*-form also. (IV) The rest are varied as follows (1) *Préterits* (more antique, or vulgar) *bare*, *bid*, *brake*, *clang*, *drive*, *gat*, *mought*, *rise*, *rode*, *smote*, *spake*, *spit*, *strid*, *sware*, *wrote*. (2) *Párticiple* : man, that is *born* of a woman



## F I G U R E S

## I. Of Analogy.

ANTIMERIA seems to put one kind of word for another: as, *I nothing doubt, but &c.*

ARCHAISMS, are old-fashioned inflexions of words: as *He fill-eth, he love-th.* V. Paragoge.

METAPLASMUS adds, takes-away, transposes, changes Letters: and may be considered under the following particulars — ANTITHESIS (in the inflexion of words) changes *y* into *i*: as (numb.) *fi -y, ies.* (degr.) *dr-y, ier, est* (tens.) *cr-y, ied* (pers.) *iest, ies* (verbal) *ier.* — APHÆRESIS (in the beginning of words) Apostrophates a letter, or letters: as, *I'll do't for 'em.* — APOCOPE (in the end of verbs) Cuts-off *-est*, or *-st* of the 2d person, in commanding: as, *Burn the books.* — EPENTHESIS (in the inflexion of words) Doubles the final consonant after a vowel, to secure the firm sound: as (adn.) *Bi-g, gger, ggest.* (verb) *Ro-b, bbest, bbeth, bbing, bbed, bber.* — METATHESIS Transposes letters: as *Cruds, waps.* — PARAGOGUE (in the end of verbs) Adds *-en*, or *-n*, in antique plurals: as *We fillen, ye loven, &c.* — PROSTHESIS (in archaisms) Prefixes *-y*: as *ylike, yclád.* — SYNCOPE (in the inflexion of verbs in *-e*) Cuts-out *-e*: as *Love, -st, -th, -d, -r.* — N.B. Sometimes we meet with *Combinations of these Figures*: e. g. — ANTITHESIS and SYNCOPE:

When *d* apóstrophated, after hard consonants (such as the cápitals in the example) is chang'd into *t*; the cónsonant (not nécessary to the found) being left-out: as *smaCKt*, *smeLt*, *dreaMt*, *meaNt*, *striPt*, *miSt*, *snaTCHt*, *freTHt*, *fiXt*.

## 2. Of Syntax.

**ELLIPSIS** Leaves-out words that may be understood as well as if they were exprest: as *He gives a penny (for) a day (to) a man: which (thing) he does, at six (hours) o' (f the) clock (on) évery saturday.*

**ENALLAGE** of the Accidents (of words) oft Puts one for another: as *Five pound, six shilling: seven year old.*

**METATHESIS** Transposes words, or puts them out of their náatural order: as, *Blessed is the man: Many have I heard.* — N. B. In póëtry this figure is frequent, várious, and agrééable.

**PLEONASMUS** Adds more than is nécessary in plain constrúction) to give a force, or émphasis: as, *I saw it with these eyes: Is he come-back again? The lord, he is god.* — N. B. It is calld **ANACOLYTHON**, when there is an incónsequence \*: as *They, that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them has the light shin'd.* — \* as in this example; wherein *they* (the nóminative) has no verb after it, to agréé with it; the turn of the expréssion being alter'd: *upon them, &c.*

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SYNESIS, Like sense, like construction: *Thus Collectives have the construction of plurals: as The mob were scouring the streets; and part fall on him.*

TMESIS Divides words, and interposes others: *as What things soever.*

## VII. P O I N T S.

the use of which is

*to ascertain the sense of words in construction; and to regulate the pauses, and accent of the voice in reading.*

- , Comma, at shortest pauses, *I, and thou,*
- ; Semicolon, at greater distinctions. *do read;*
- : Colon, at larger members. *but ye, and they do not;*
- . Périod, at complete sentences. *we, then, are best.*

### *Vicarious Points.*

*used instead of the others, on certain occasions.*

- ? Interrogation-point, to ask questions.
- ! Exclamation-point, in admiring, &c.
- () Paréntesis, for incidental clauses.
- [ ] Parátthesis, for explications, &c.

N. B.

*A more accurate account, and exemplification of these points, may be found in my English Grammar; without that detail of minutiae (so frequent in writers on this subject) which are apt to bewilder and embarrass even the most attentive.*

## VIII. R E A D I N G.

IN GENERAL,

*To Read Well,**let the learner read often,  
with a particular attention  
to the following*

## DIRECTIONS :

1. If you do not certainly know any word, at first sight, do not guess at it, lest (thereby) you get a habit (as most children do) of mis-calling words, and reading falsely<sup>1</sup>: but be sure to spell every word, by the syllables, before you pronounce it; if you are not acquainted with it. —For the better grace, if you read before company, you may spell any strange long word you meet, in your mind, syllable by syllable; and pronounce it slowly, step by step; and, thus, you may read the longest word easily: as Ma-her-sha-lal-hash-baz, &c.

2. Have a care of putting hem's, and o's, and ha's, between your words: but pronounce every syllable distinct and clear, without a long drawl-

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<sup>1</sup> All inveterate habits (especially in the business of reading) are exceeding difficult to be removed: a hundred corrections, ever so warmly or wisely inculcated, are not sufficient to cure some children of pronouncing 'shall, have,' &c. as if they were written 'shawl, haive,' &c. But, when once they have been accustomed to guess at words, without attending to the course of the syllables; their errors are continually encreasing, and (what is worse) they are hardly ever to be reclaimed.



drawling tone.—Let the tone and sound of your voice in reading, be the same as it is in speaking; and do not affect to change that natural and easy sound you speak with, for a strange, new, awkward tone, as some do, when they begin to read; which would almost persuade one that the speaker and the reader were two different persons, if our eyes did not tell us the contrary.

3. Take heed of hurrying your words, or syllables, over, in haste; lest (thereby) you should be led to stutter, or stammer, in speaking, or reading. It is better to read slow at first: but most children, when they come to read well, are in danger of too much hurry and speed in their pronounciation; whereby many of the lesser syllables are ready to be cut-off, or lost; and the language becomes a kind of gibberish, scarce to be understood.

4. Let your voice in reading be such as may give a clear and distinct sound of every syllable to those who are to hear you; let the subject, or matter, be of any kind whatsoever: but, if it be any thing passionate or affecting, the voice may be raised, in order to strike the audience with a stronger sensibility.

5. Make proper stops and pauses, according as the points direct. Hereby your hearers will better understand what you read; and you will have time to take breath, to continue in reading.—But be sure to make no stop, where the sense admits of none: and take care to avoid that faulty custom of reading all the short little words  
quick,

quick, and the solid and longer words of a sentence very slow. For, such a reader, by the jerks and starts of his voice, destróys the sense, and confounds his hearers.

6. As the accent, or stress of the voice, must be plac'd on the proper syllables in pronouncing each word: so, a proper accent must be given to such words, in a sentence, by which the meaning and force of that sentence may best appear<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>2</sup> This is call'd the *émphasis*: and the nicest care (as it is the greatest difficulty) is to lay the *émphasis* on the word <sup>a</sup>, or words <sup>b</sup>, in a sentence, that require it; in order to give significancy, spirit, and beauty, to the whole.——By not attending here-tó, you will appear either not to understand, or to be unconcern'd about what you utter; and, so, render it disagreeable and unaffecting: and, by placing it on a wrong word, you will always obscure, and often change the meaning of your sentence; and make your inténion appear quite different from what you design'd it.

For Exa.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{array} \right\}$  Will You Ride to Town to-day? } Where

The answer will be, if you lay the *émphasis* on (1) *Will*: Yes, in spite of all you can say. (2) *You*: No, but my brother will. (3) *Ride*: No, I will walk. (4) *To town*: No, I will ride into the country. (5) *To day*: No, not till to-morrow.

<sup>a</sup> The *émphasis* is génerally layd on the same syllable as the accent: as in this question: 'Did you travel to London, or to York last week:' the first syllable in London, and the word York, must be pronounc'd with a strong sound; because the *émphasis* lies on those two words.—Yet, if it happen that there be a plain opposition between two words in a sentence; whereof one differs from another, but in part (as 'righteous, and unrighteous;' 'form and réform, or confórm'; 'proper and improper'; 'just and unjust;') then the accent is often remov'd from its proper place; and fixt on that syllable, in which those words differ: as 'If I would fórm my manners well, I  
must

and the whole deliverd with an easy unaffected tone and cadence, suitable to the subject<sup>3</sup>.—More particularly.

7. Consider what the subject is, which you read; and let your voice humor the sense a little — When the subject is merely historical, (as a news-paper, or a story, or any relation of what has been done) you should not vary the accents very much; nor affect so strong and passionate a pronounciâtion, as you ought to do where the subject is affecting, or persuasive; as in an orâtion, an exhortâtion, or the more practical parts of a sermon.——Where the sense is grave and solemn (espécially if it be in the way of instrûction, or explaining any point of difficulty) let your voice be more slow, and pronounce évery word very distinctly—But, where the subject is some famíliar, easy, and pleasant matter; let your pronounciâtion be a little more speedy;

must not cónform to the world, but rather réform it': 'The júst must die, as well as the úrjust.' Whereás, if these words, 'unjust or conform', stood by themsélves in a sentence, without such an opposition; the accent would lie on the last syllable: as 'I would never conform to their unjust práctises'

<sup>b</sup> As there may be two accents upon one word; so there may be two or three émphases in one sentence: for example, 'If théy run, wé will run: for óur feet are as good as théirs.'

<sup>3</sup> To do this (1) Imagine your-self in the author's place; and endeavor to speak évery thing with the same spirit, that it may be supposé'd he writ: (2) or, Read, as if it were not the work of another person; but what your own mind immediately dictâted to you: and in such manner as you would deliver it in conversâtion.

speedy ; still remembering, that to read too fast, is a greater fault, at all times, than to read too slow ; supposing that the accents and émphases are duely observd.

8. In reading póëtry, pronóunce évery word, and évery sentence, just as if it were prose ; observing the stops with great exactness ; and giving each word, and syllable, its due and náatural accent<sup>4</sup> ; with this only excéption, that, at the end

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<sup>4</sup> In english verse, the words are généralement so disposd, that the accent may fall on évery second, fourth, and sixth, syllable ; and on the eighth, and tenth, and twelfth also, if the lines are so long. The first six lines of Sir Richard Blackmore's Prince Arthur happen to give us an instance of this, without one variátion.

I sing the Briton, and his gén'rous árms,  
Who vérs'd in súff'rings, and the rúde alárms  
Of wár relúctant, lést his nátive soíl,  
And úndismáy'd sustaind incéssant toil.  
Till led by héav'n propítious hé retúrnd  
To bléss the ísle which long his ábsence móurnd.

Now, because english verse généralement takes this turn, ignorant people are ready to imagin that it must be so universallly ; and that it is ábsolutely nécessaire to give this sort of sound to évery line in póëtry, and to lay a stress upon évery second syllable. Whereas there is a great deal of just liberty, and variátion, which póëtry allóws, in this case ; without destroying the hármonie of the verse : and, indeed, it adds a beauty and grace, sometimes to indúlge such a variety ; and, espécially, in the first and second syllables of the line. — But, for want of this knowlege, most people affect to read verse in a very différent manner from prose : and they think it not sufficient to place a common accent ; but lay a very hard and unnáatural stress on évery other syllable : and seem to stop, and rest on it ; whether the náatural pronúciation of the words will allów it, or no. By this means they give a false and wretched accent to many words ; and spoil good english, to make it sound, as they fantasie, like verse.



end of évery line, if the verse be in rhyme, though there be no stop, you are to make a very small pause, just to give notice that the line is ended<sup>5</sup>.—The fólloving lines thus read, will strike the ear with due hármonie :

[Angels, invísible to sêse ;  
spreading their pínions for a shiêld,  
are the brave sóldier's bêst defêse ;  
when cânnons, in long order, shâll dispêse  
têrrible slaughtèr round the fiêld]

whereás, read according to the common run of verses, with an accent on évery other syllable (as markt undernéath) the díssonance of the jargon would be quite ridículous, and intólerable :

[Angéls, invísiblê to sênsê,  
spreading their pínions fór a shiêld,  
are thé brave sóldier's bêst defêse ;  
when cânnons ín long órder, shâll dispêse  
têrrible slaughtèr róund the fiêld]

<sup>5</sup> Dr Watts makes another allowance, to-wít, that, if a word in the line has two sounds, you are to give that sound to it which most favors the rhyme. Thus, in the fólloving lines :

[Were I but once from bondage free,  
I'd never sell my liberty]

the word 'liberty', he says, should be pronóunc'd as if it were 'liber-tee': But, if the verse ran thus

[My soul ascends above the sky,  
And triumphs in her liberty]

the word 'liberty' he would have sounded (here) as 'liber-ti'—But, this, I apprehend, is more than a délicate ear (how-much-soever it may be tun'd to rhyme) would relish: espécially as there is something, in both the sounds, so inconsistent with the accent; which ought not, I think, to be sacrific'd to so slender a satisfáction as that of keeping-up the full chime of the cadence. To favor the rhyme, in such a case, would be to expóse one's self, or to railly the poet.

— And this rule will also hold good in other kinds of metre: as (1) In the following of 7 syllables; in which a pretty strong accent lies on the first syllable in the line:

[Glittering stones, and golden things,  
wealth and honors, that have wings  
ever fluttering to be gone,  
I could never call my own:  
Riches (which the world bestows)  
she can take, and I can lose:  
but the treasures, that are mine,  
lie afar beyond her line.]

(2) and in the following of 12 syllables; which runs brisker upon dactyls:

'Tis the voice of the sluggard: I hear him complain  
'You have wak'd me too soon; I must slumber again'.  
As the door on its hinges; so, he (on his bed)  
turns his sides, and his shoulders, and his heavy head.

— Thus it appears to be a much easier matter to read verse well, than most people imagin; if they would but content themselves to pronounce it, as they do common language, without affecting to add new music to the lines, by an unnatural turn and tone of the voice.

9. Attend with diligence, when you hear persons who read well: observe the manner how they pronounce; take notice where they give a different turn to their voice; mark in what sort of sentences, and in what parts of each sentence, they alter the sound: and then endeavor to imitate them. Thus, you will learn a graceful cadence of voice in reading; as the generality of people learn the change of the notes in singing.

10. Let those, who desire to read grácefully, practise it often in presence of such as have an harmónious ear, and understand good reading: and let them be willing, and desirous to be corrected.—In order to make advantage of this direction, the master may (once, or twice a-week) appoint his best scholars to read some oration, some affectionate sermon, some póëtry, some news-paper, some familiar dialógues: to show them how to pronóunce différent sorts of stile, by correcting their mistakes<sup>6</sup>:

*the chief of which*

*are noted as in the following mémorial verses:*

Canting<sup>7</sup>, Dispássionate<sup>8</sup>, too Fast, too Slow:  
O'erstráind<sup>9</sup>, Monótonous<sup>10</sup>, too Loud, too Low.

<sup>6</sup> Here it may not be improper to observe (to the reproach of those whom it concerns) that the *source of that inability to read well*, which is so epidémical an evil, does, as Sir Richard Steele (spect. 147) observes, in a great measure, proceed from the little care which is commonly taken of boys reading, when at school: where, when they are got into Latin, they are lookt-upon as abóve English; the reading of which is wholly neglected, or (at least) read to very little purpose; without any due observátions made to them of the proper accent, and manner of reading: by which means they acquire such ill habits, as are not to be remedied without the greatest difficulty.

<sup>7</sup> *Canting* is multiplying the accents, or émphases, at random; and (thereby) changing the tone of the voice, so as to imitate singing, or chanting.—This is a fault, which children fall-into; through ignorance of daces, and carelessness of masters; and not to be remedied, but by the utmost assiduity in correcting, directing, and in cultivating the imitation of those who pronóunce well.—Children, that have a tolerable ear, will take-in the proper sounds, in imitation of their master; and be secúrd against an ill turn of voice, or

unhappy tone : and will better learn to pronounce well whatever they read, by this imitation, than by a mere correction of their faults, without any example. And, thus, the master may (with infinitely more ease to himself) train-up a number of scholars, by keeping them to the same lesson ; all attending in their own books, while he spells, or reads ; and all vying in their imitation of him.

<sup>8</sup> *Dispassionate* reading is a fault, which consists chiefly in omitting the accents, or emphases, where they ought to be plac'd. Hereby, a sentence loses all its beauty, and force : and the speech of the finest orator, with all the noblest ornaments of éloquence, would become flat, and dull, and feeble ; and have no power to charm, or persuade.

<sup>9</sup> *O'erstrain'd*, beyond the compass of the voice. In this case (as when, in singing, a tune is pitcht too high, or too low) the speaker will often be oblig'd to squeak, or growl, in unnatural sounds, uneasy to himself, and disagreeable to those who hear him.

<sup>10</sup> *Monotonous*, that is, with one single tone. Reading, without laying a peculiar force on any part of a sentence, is reading like a child that knows not what he reads. And the pronouncing an oration in this manner (were it ever so well pend, and pathetic) would be little better than coning-over a mere list of words, without conveying any emotion to the mind, and scarce any information to the understanding.

### *In Reading the Bible*

It may not be improper to inform children that—*The italic words* are those, which are not in the original greek, or hebrew ; but are added by the translators, to complete the sense, or to explain it.—*As to the References*, in those with marginal notes ; (1) The letters [a b c d &c.] plac'd between words, refer to other texts of scripture that are thought parallel, or of like import. (2) The obelisks [†] refer to the words, or literal expressions, of the originals ; which the translators have a little alter'd, to render them proper *English*. (3) The parallels, or double strokes [||] show how the words may be differently translated.



## IX. W R I T I N G.

For the *Practise* of Writing

Dr Watts has furnisht us

with the following

COPIES<sup>11</sup>:

1. *Comprehending the whole Alphabet.*

A dazzling triumph, quickly flown, is but a gay vexation.  
Happy hours are quickly followd by amazing vexations.

2. *Consisting chiefly of the Short letters.*

A covetous, or an envious man, is never at rest.  
Art comes-in, to imitate, or assist nature.  
Conversation is a sweet entertainment to wise men.  
Our most virtuous actions are not meritorious.  
Some inconveniences await our easiest moments.  
Virtue, in an eminent station; raises our esteem.  
Astronomers can trace A comet's various race.  
Here no man is secure To sin, or mourn, no more.  
No meaner creatures can Converse, or act, as man.  
Nor snow, nor ice, nor rain, Were ever sent in vain.

3. *Begining with Every letter of the Alphabet.*

Attend to th' advise Of the old, and the wise.  
Be not angry, and fret: But forgive, and forget.  
Can you think it no ill To pilfer, and steal?  
Do the thing you are bid: Nor be sullen, when chid.  
Envy none for their wealth; Or their honor, or health.  
Fear, worship, and love, The great god above.

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<sup>11</sup> In writing of which, *the Errors*, that children are aptest to fall-into, may be guarded against, by showing them when their letters (how well soever they may be made) are not equal, or equidistant.——In all reason (1) the letters ought

Grow quiet, and easy, When fools trie to teize you.  
 Honor father, and mother; Love sifter, and brother.  
 It is dangerous folly To jest with things holy.  
 Jeer not, much less flout, At the man that's devout.  
 Keep your books without blot, And your cloths without spot.  
 Let your hands do no wrong; Nor backbite with your tongue.  
 Make haste to obéy: Nor dispute, or delay.  
 Never stay within hearing Of cursing, and swearing.  
 Offer god all the prime Of your strength, and your time.  
 Provóke not the poor Though they lie at your door.  
 Quash all evil thoughts; And mourn for your faults.  
 Remember, the liar Has his part in hell-fire.  
 Shun the wicked, and rude: But converse with the good.  
 Transgrés not the rule, Or at home, or at school.  
 Use perfectness gains, And with môderate pains.  
 Vie itill with the best; And excél all the rest.  
 When you are at your play, Take heed what you say.  
 Xantippe though noisy; Yet was Sócrates easy.  
 Yield, a little, for peace; And let quâreling cease.  
 Zeal, and charity, join'd, Make you pious, and kind.

ought to be *equal* in height; the stems, and capitals, double the body: 2) And, an *equal distance* ought to be observed, not only between the Lines (so, as that the stems of the letters may not interfere) and between the Words (so, as that they may strike the eye with due distinction) but also in the Letters; as well in the inclination of their bodies (so as to be parallel in every part) and in the width of their legs (to be well-proportioned) as in the hair-strokes, that connect them (which should be in the middle) a propriety, which scarce any of the best pen-men have due regard to; as may appear from the printed copy-books of the most eminent masters. — A strict attention to these two characters (without any further detail of particular directions) will give an uniformity and beauty to their writing; especially if it be plain, without any of those embellishments by fanciful flourishes, which were once the fashion of a gothic taste.

## X. P R O V E R B S,

A N D

*Pithy sayings well-Express'd.*

## I. MONOSYLLABLES.

A *bow*, too much bent, breaks.—A *burnt* child dreads the fire.—A *cat* may look at a king.—A *fool* makes a rod for his own breech.—A *man knows* not the worth of a thing, till he wants it.—A *man may* buy gold too dear.—A *whet's* no let.—All *his* geese are swans.—All is well, that ends well.—All *work*, and no play, makes jack a dull boy.

Be sure of the fact, ere you ask the cause.—Best to bend, while it's a twig.—Bright wits have some clouds.

Clean be thy cloaths ; and tight thy hose.—Curst cows have short horns.

Earn what you can, if poor : in time, you may have more.

Fear to do ill, and you'll do well.—Fools make a mock at sin.

Give him an inch, and he'll take an ell.—Great *gains* are got from the fool, and the sot.

Harm watch, harm catch.—He *is* my friend, that grins at my mill.—He *loves* you well, that makes you weep.—He, *that will bear* much, will have much to bear.—He, *that will not*, when he may ; when he will, he shall have nay.—He, *that will swear*, will lye.—He *that would* live at ease and rest, must hear, and see, and say the best.—Hear both sides ; and, then, judge.

If you would be wise, you must be good.—  
It is a *base* bird, that fouls its own nest.—It is  
*good* to fear the worst; the best will save it-self.

Keep the staff in your own hand.

Lay-up in youth; and you will find it in age.  
—Live as you would wish to die.—Look not a  
gift-horse in the mouth.

Make hay, while the sun shines.—Man has  
much to learn; but a short time to live.—  
Make *no* more haste than good speed.—Mirth  
makes life sweet, as sauce does meat.—Much  
*coin*, much care.—Much *would* have more.

Need makes the old wife trot.—No *man* loves  
his chain, though made of gold.—No *way* so  
smooth, but it has some rubs.

Old young, and old long.—One *bird* in the  
hand is worth two in the bush.—One *may* see  
day-light through a small hole.—One *stroke* fells  
not an oak.—Out of sight, out of mind.

Past shame, past hope.—Pride will have a fall.

Quaint words, or queer looks; what boy, or  
girl brooks?

Rome was not built in a day.

Small time may make a great change.—Soft  
fire makes sweet malt.—Spare to speak, spare  
to speed.—Sweet meat will have sour sauce.

Tell a friend his faults, but do not blaze them.  
—The *fox* fares well, when he is curst.—The  
*more* haste, the worse speed.—The *sow*, that is  
still, eats-up all the swill.—There's no smoke,  
but there's some fire.—They, that can't do as  
they will, must do as they can.—Time and tide  
stay for no man.—Tread on a worm, and it will  
turn.

Virtue



Virtue, not Vice, should all entice.

Use not thy tongue to speak what's wrong.

Waste brings want; and want brings woe.—

We have no lease of our lives.—Were it not for hope, the heart would break.—What is past

can't be helpt.—When the wine is in, the wit is out.—While the grass grows, the steed starves.

—Who is so deaf, as he that won't hear?—

Will will have will, though will will win woe.

—Win gold, and wear it.

You can't make a silk purse of a sow's ear.

## 2. DISSYLLABLES.

A *faithful* friend is a great treasure.—A *fool*,  
and his mony, are soon parted.—A *fool* may

put something in a wise body's head.—A *friend*  
in need is a friend indéed.—A *light* heart, and

an empty purse.—A *penny* savd is a penny got.

—A *piece* of fair writing is a standing picture.—

A *poor* man's labour is his treasure.—A *proud*  
man is his own idol.—A *rolling* stone gathers no

moſs.—A *soft* answer turns away wrath.—A

*stink* is still worse for stirring.—Advise comes

too late, when the thing is done.—Affirm not

all you hear; nor tell all you know.—After

sweet meat comes sour sauce.—All is not gold,

that glisters.—All *things* are the worse for wear-

ing.—Approve not of him, that commends all  
you say.

Bad vows are better broke, than kept.—Be

ashám'd of your pride; not proud of your shame.

—Better *give* one shilling than lend, and lose,

twenty.—Better is half a loaf, than no bread.—

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Better *to* play at small game, than to stand-out.  
—Birds of a feather flock together.—Boast not thy-self of to-morrow: for thou knowest not what a day may bring-forth.—Bewâre of an after-clap.—Bounty well bestôwd makes many friends.—Break not thy rest for what concerns thee not.—By taking pains, and care, you may write fast, and fair.

Can't you be content to fare well, but you must cry roast-meat?—Cast-away care, and strife; and strive to lead a quiet life.—Catch not at a shadow, and lose the substance.—Children, and chicken, will always be picking.—Christmas comes but once a year.—Cobler, keep to thy last.—Come, let's be friends; and put-out the devil's eye.—Commâd your temper, lest it commâd you.—Conduct prevâils, when rashness fails.—Constant practise, and care, make you write fast, and fair.—Custom *is a second nature*.—Custom *is a tyrant*, that will be obeyd.

Defend not that vile fact, which 'tis a crime to act.—Defér not till to-morrow, what should be done to-day.—Do *good* to good men, and justice to all men.—Do *nothing*, that may bring thee to shame.—Don't *lie*-still, and cry God help me.—Don't *lose* a sheep for a ha'p'orth of tar. Don't *make* two sorrows of one.—Don't *pour* water on a drown'd mouse.—Don't *scald* your lips in another man's potage.—Drinking drowns cares; but does not cure them.

Either be silent, or speak to the purpose.—Empty vessels sound most.—Enóugh is as good

as a feast.—Envy, like a vulture, preys on itself.—Ever drink, ever dry.—Excés of good nature spoils many a poor creature.—Expéct no good succés from wicked áctions.—Exténd not your vain cares to other men's affairs.—Extrêmes producé extrêmes.

Faint heart never won fair lady.—Fame does, in flying, grow: its bounds we seldom know.—Fancy leads fools into a wándering way.—Fear *fills* the mind with storms; and frightful fancies forms.—Fear *neither* witch, nor devil; but, only, to do evil.—Few know what's just and true; or, knowing it, pursue.—Fierceness is blunted by mildness.—Flee pleasure; and it will follow thee.—For what you can do yourself, don't dépend on another.—Force often fails, where fraud preváils.—Fore-wárnd, fore-árm'd.

Give losers leave to compláin.—Glory is but the breath of men's mouths.—Go, praise the faithful man; but, find him, if you can.—God's tender mercies are over all his works.—Gold is the handmaid of honor.—Good *and* quickly are welcome.—Good *breeding* is a grace, adórn's the human race.—Good *manners* procúre many friends.—Good *nature* is often impósd-upón.—Good *watch* prevents danger.—Good *words* no salads oil, nor can the kettle boil.—Great pains, and little gains, make a man weary.—Greedy dogs will eat dirty puddings.

Handsom they, that handsom do.—Happy is he, that is healthy and free.—He has a good judgment, that don't rely on his own.—He is

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*not* born, that has not been deceivd.—He *is on* a level with the great; that neither seeks, nor wants them.—He *likes* better an inch of his will, than an ell of his profit. He *never* wants comfort, that has content.—He, *that boasts* of his sins, glories in his shame.—He *that delights* in study, delights in silence.—He, *that delights* to sow, and set, puts after ages in his debt.—He, *that is* born to be hang'd, will never be drown'd.—He, *that makes* himself a sheep, shall be eaten by the wolf.—He, *that mischief* hatches, mischief catches.—He, *that mounts* higher than he should, will fall lower than he would.—He, *that reckons* without his host, shall reckon twice.—He, *that sends* a fool on an errand, ought to follow him.—He, *that teaches* himself, has a fool to his master.—He, *that trusts* a cheat, must expect to be cheated.—He, *that will* play with cats, must expect to be scratcht.—Honest actions are worthy of praise.—How bright the peaceful day, how smooth it slides away.—Hunger breaks through stone-walls.

I am not angry at my son's losses; but that he will play-on.—Jargon, and noise, delight foolish boys.—Jewels adorn the fair, who greatest jewels are.—If *sinners* entice thee, consent thou not.—If *you will* not be advisd, you cannot be helpt.—If *you would* be borne-with, bear with others.—Ill *goes* the boat, without the oar.—Ill *weeds* grow apace.—In *all* disputes take care of quarrels.—In *god* alone confide: but use the means beside.—In *trust* is treason.—Intend what is right; and act with thy might.—It is



an ill wind, that blows nó-body any good.—It *is good* to be well advísed.—It *is bard* striving against the stream.—It *is in* vain to kick against the pricks.—It *is never* too late to repént.—It *is nonsense* to cast pearls before swine.—Judge not of good or ill; but as men's works reveal.

Keep *in* the middle way: extrémés to hurt betray.—Keep *thy* own secrets close; lest] thou thy-self expóse.—Keep *your* cónscience clean; and your mind seréne.—Keep *your own* counsel, if you be wise.—Know first thy-self, and then learn to know other men.—Knowledge is the golden treasure of the mind.—Known well are all thy ways to heaven's all-piercing rays.

Laugh, neither out-of-measure, nor out-of-season.—Laws are like the spider's web, that catches the weak, but is broken through by the strong.—Lightly come, lightly go.—Like father, like son.—Little said: soon amended.—Love, *joy*, and pleasure; though delightful, are dângerous.—Love *learning*; and prize what makes a man wise.

Man is born to trouble, as the sparks fly upwards.—Many *hands* make light work.—Many *men*, many minds.—Many *strokes* fell an oak.—Many *things* fall between the cup and the lip.—Marry in hast; repént at leisure.—Men's manners sometimes shape their fortunes.—Mental pleasure is the reward of virtue.—Mony *is* welcom, though it comes in a dirty clout.—Mony *makes* the mare to go.

Near is my shirt; but nearer is my skin.—Negléct not happy minutes.—Never desire  
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what can never be obtáind.—Never look a gift-horse in the mouth.—*Nó-body* loves him that loves only himself.—No *joy*, without annóy.—No *longer* pipe, no longer dance.—No *pains*, no profit.—No *smoke* without a fire.—None but fools, and knaves, lay wagers.—Nor oppóse, nor despise, the advise of the wise.—Nothing is better for study than silence.—Nothing venture, nothing have.

Obscene discóurse proceéds from a corrupt mind.—Observe well, and you may learn well.—Offense should not be given, nor taken in haste.—One *scabby* sheep will infest a whole flock.—One *step* to virtue is to love it in others.—One *swallow* makes no summer.—Out of debt, out of danger.

Pay well; and you will never want workmen.—Penny wise, and pound foolish.—Plain dealing is best.—Pretty, and witty, will wound, if they hit you.—Pride goes before, and shame follows after.—Profferd wares are sold at half price.—Practise little, and do much.—Provide *against* the worst, and provide for the best.—Provide *for* sickness, in health; and, for old age, in youth.

Quarel with *nó-body*; and you will be pleas'd.—Quickly (this moment) do; what, left undóne, you'll rue.—Quiet *minds* content enjoy: it is a fulness cannot cloy.—Quiet *souls* heaven's kingdom find in the pleasures of the mind.—Quiet, *with* a little, is better than plenty with quarels.

Rash deeds produce hasty sorrow.—Rather go to a friend, than a brother, in distrés.—

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Rather mistrúſt too ſoon, than be decéivd too late.—Reckon not your chickens, beſóre they are hatcht.—Riches make few men happy; content makes all men ſo.—Rule your páſſions, leſt your páſſions rule you.

Save a thief from the gallows, and he'll cut your throat.—Seek not to know ſecrets, that don't concern thee.—Silence is a friend to ſcience.—Sin goes beſóre, and ſhame comes after.—Standers-by ſee more than gameſters.—Strike while the iron is hot.—Sue a beger, and catch a louſe.

Take time by the forelock.—Tell *me* with whom thou goeſt, and I will tell *thee* what thou doeſt.—Tell *truth*, and ſhame the devil.—The *faireſt* ſilk will ſoonest foil.—The *greatest* talkers are the leaſt doers.—There's no hill without a dale.—They *are always* wretched, whom nothing will content.—They *are often* caught by decéit who practiſe it.—They, *that* are bound, muſt obéy.—Think not, ſo much, who ſpeaks; but what is ſpoken.—Time's forelock mind: he's bald behind.—'Tis ill jeſting with edgd tools.—Train up a child in the way he ſhould go: and, when he is old, he will not depárt from it.

Value not your-ſelf too much; nor deſpiſe others.—Virtue ſuffers, when vice is not puniſht.—Uſe the means, and truſt God for the ſuccéſs.

We often others blame; and, often, do the ſame.—Well begun is half done.—What *can't* be cur'd, muſt be endúr'd.—What *is* one man's

meat is another man's poison.—When *knaves* fall-out, honest men come by their own.—When *the fox* preaches, let the geese beware.—When *the steed's* stolen, 'tis too late to shut the stable-door.—Wilful fools never want wo.—Wisdom is the greatest pleasure of the mind.—Would you see happy days, be careful of your ways.

You ought not rashly to condemn what you do not know.—You should to others do, as you'd be done unto.—Your secrets keep from those, that do their own expose.

Zeal *beyond* reason is still out of season.—Zeal *can* no virtue shew, but when 'tis vice's foe.—Zealot, thy burning grace has brimstone in its face.

### 3. POLYSYLLABLES.

A *contented* mind is a continual feast.—A *talent-bearer* is a mischief-maker.—A *virtuous* lad shuns what is bad.—Advise none to do evil, though for your own advantage.

Bad company is contagious.—Bashfulness is a sign of grace.—Be patient in adversity, and humble in prosperity.—Better *be poor*, and content; than rich, and repining.—Better *be single* than ill married.—Better *go* to bed supperless, than rise in debt.—Better *is* little, with content; than much, with contention.—Birds of a feather flock together.

Charity begins at home.—Choose such diversions as please much, cost little, and do no harm.



harm.—Circumspection is necessary, when danger is near.—Cloudy mornings turn to clear evenings.—Compliments, at the best, are but the smoak of friendship.—Content makes poor men, rich: but discontent makes rich men, poor.—Contentment is the only true philosopher's stone.—Cool reflexions succeed rash actions.—Custom, in infancy, becomes nature in age.—Cut your coat according to your cloth.

Danger and adversity discover true friendship.—Delays are, often, dangerous.—Desperate diseases require desperate remedies.—Dutiful children are dear to their parents.

Embrace no notions, before you examin them.—Employment becomes all men.—Endeavor to be wise; and useful learning prize.—Every cock dares crow on his own dunghil.—Examples good and great, labor to imitate.—Expel all carking cares, vain jealousies, and fears.

Few are made wise but by sad experience.—Forget *not* past favors: but repay with interest.—Forget *other's* faults but remember thy own.

Get acquaintance with them, that true virtue esteem. Goodness is more esteemed than rewarded.

Hastiness often stumbles.—He, *that chastises* one, mends many.—He, *that conquers* his passions, gains an honorable peace.—He, *that goes* a borrowing, goes a sorrowing.—He, *that would* be master of his own, must not be bound for another.—Honesty is the best policy.

January's sharp freezing makes a rowling  
fire

fire pleasing.—Idleness is the mother of ignorance, béggery, and shame.—Jealousie shuts one door, and opens two.—Ill got, ill spent.—If a man be a coxcomb, sólitude is his best school: if a fool, 'tis his best sanctuary.—Inténtions are best known to thee, and god alone.—It is *better to be* alóne, than in bad cómpany.

Keep *good* cómpany, and you will be a good compánion.—Keep *your* income, and your expenses, even.—Kingdoms are preserv'd by unanimity, and équity.

Lay not out thy mony, to purchase repentance.—Learning is the rich man's órnamént, and the poor man's riches.—Lost opportunities are seldom to be recover'd.

Make no man's misfortune the subject of derision.—Much wealth does not always bring satisfaction.

Necéssity *has* no law.—Necéssity *is* the mother of invéntion.—None resént an injury more, than those that give it.

One *man* may better steal a horse, than another look-over the hedge.—One *vice* is more expensive than ten virtues.

Pátience is a salve for évery sore.—Perplexing cares bring-on grey hairs.—Physician, heal thyself.—Posséssion is eleven points of law.—Pride, and prodigálisty, producé pénury.

Quarrels are éasily begún ; but not éasily ended.—Quiet carries its own reward alóng with it.

Regárd (beyónd all things) the peace, good  
cón-

conscience brings.—Repentance is the consequence of rashness.

Sin and sorrow are not far a sunder.

There *is no reasoning* with a foe, or a madman.—There *is no remedy* like patience.—Too much familiarity breeds contempt.

Variety is the beauty, and harmony of the world.—Violent suspicion draws some to perdition.

Unexperienc'd pretenders are no good commendors.—Unskilful attempts bring unlucky events.—Use *makes* perfectness.—Use *pleasures* moderately; they will last the longer.

When one door shuts, another opens.—Without alteration is no reformation.

Yesterday cannot be recall'd; therefore lose not a day.—Yield a little for peace; and let quarreling cease.

Zeal and charity, join'd, make you pious and kind.

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## XI. APOPTHEGMS,

O R

*Short Reflexions on sundry Subjects.*

AUTHORS.

Authors, like coins, grow dear, as they grow old:  
It is the rust, we value; not the gold. *Pope.*

BEGGER.

Who asks an alms, or supplicates a place;  
Alike is begger, or in rags, or lace. *Whitehead.*

BOUNTY.

Like to the sun, let bounty spread her ray;  
And shine your superfluity away. *Pope.*

## COMMERCE.

Commerce gives gold ; religion makes thee wise  
Join, then, religion to thy store ;  
Or India's mine will make thee poor. *Young.*

## COMPLIMENTS.

Praise undeserv'd is scandal in disguise. *Pope.*

## CRITICS.

Critics, in wit, or life, are hard to please :  
Few write to those ; and none can live to these. *Pope.*

## DISTINCTION.

With fame, in just proportion, envy grows :  
The man, that makes a character, makes foes. *Young.*

## ENJOYMENT.

Unhappy they ! and falsely gay !  
Who bask for ever in success :  
A constant feast quite palls the taste ;  
And long enjoyment is distress. *Young.*

## EXERCISE.

Some exercise is the best rest for ease. *Thompson.*

## FAME.

Who press for fame but small recruits will raise :  
'Tis volunteers, alone, can give the bays. *Young.*  
How vain that second life in others breath ;  
Th' estate, which wit inherits after death. *Pope.*

## FINE GENTLEMAN.

With wit, well-natur'd ; and, with books, well-bred.  
[ *Pope.*

## FOP.

Scatter your favors on a fop :  
Ingratitude's the certain crop. *Pope.*

## GLORY.

The suns of glory please not, till they set. *Pope.*

## HAPPINESS.

The happiest man is but a wretched thing ;  
That steals poor comfort from comparison. *Young.*

## INSTINCT.

Reason and *Instinct*, what a nice barrier !  
For ever sep'rate, yet for ever near. *Pope.*

Their



Their love and awe, supply the law;  
And his own lustre makes the court. *Young.*

LICENSE.

Give me the muse, with happy boldness taught  
To soar in all the liberty of thought:  
That dares from stiff, cold, aukward, rules départ;  
And snatch a grace beyond the reach of art. *Strato.*

MEAN.

Between excès and famine lies a mean;  
Plain, but not sordid; tho' not splendid, clean. *Pope.*

MERCHANT.

Is merchant an inglorious name?  
What say the sons of letter'd fame;  
Proud of their volumes, swelling in their cells?  
In open life, in change of scene,  
Mid various manners, throngs of men,  
Experience, arts, and solid wisdom dwells. *Young.*

MERIT.

If acknowleg'd merit reigns; praise is impertinent;  
and censure vain. *Atterbury.*

MISER.

As, by replétion, men consume;  
Abundance is the miser's doom;  
Expend it nobly; he, that lets it rust,  
(Which, passing numerous hands would shine)  
Is not a man, but living mine:  
Foe to the gods, and rival to the dust. *Young.*

PLEASURE.

False joy's a discomposing thing;  
That jars on nature's trembling string;  
Tempests the spirits, and untunes the frame:  
True joy's the sun-shine of the soul:  
A bright serene, that calms the whole;  
Which they ne'er knew, whom other joys inflame:  
*[Young.]*

POETS.

Our strains divide the laurels pride:  
With thee, we list to life, we live

By fame enróll'd, with heroes bold ;

And share the blessings, which we give. *Young.*

— 'Tis he, who gives my breast a thousand pains ;

Can make me feel each passion that he feigns ;

Enrage, compose, with more than magic art ;

With pity, and with terror, tear my heart ;

And snatch me o'er the earth, or through the air ;

To Thebes, or Athens, when he will, or where. *Pope.*

#### PRAISE.

Praise is the sacred oil, that feeds

The burning lamp of god-like deeds :

Immortal glory pays illustrious cares. *Young.*

#### PRINTING.

Nothing but what is solid, or refin'd ;

Should dare ask public audience of mankind. *Pope.*

#### VILLAIN.

Alike, his country's scandal, and its curse ;

Who vends a vote, or who purloins a purse. *Whitehead.*

#### USURY.

With the silent growth of ten per cent,

In dirt and darkness hundreds stink content. *Pope.*

What is every year of a wise man's life, but a censure or critique on the last ! The boy despises the infant ; the man, the boy ; the philosopher both ; and the christian, all. *Pope.*

#### WIT.

Wit is a justness of thought, and a facility of expression : or (in the midwife's phrase) a perfect conception, with an easy delivery. *Pope.*

#### ZEAL.

The zeal of fools offends at any time ;

But most of all the zeal of fools in rhyme. *Pope.*



## XII. POEMS,

O R

Compositions in Metre of various Kinds,  
according to the Rules of *English*  
Poetry.

P Oetry may be defined the art of casting words into harmonious metre, or verse. To make good verses a poetical genius is necessary, which is the gift of nature, and cannot be acquired by study. In the composition of verses it is first to be observed, that the component syllables are distinguish'd into *long* and *short*, and this length or shortness is called their quantity.

The antients formed their *poetical feet*, as they called them, of *two*, *three*, and sometimes more syllables, giving each a different name. Thus a foot consisting of two long syllables was called a *spondee*, of a short follow'd by a long an *iambus*, of a long followed by a short a *trocheus*, of a long before two short, a *dactyl*, &c.

As to the *English* poetry, the *iambus* is the principal regent of verse, especially of heroics, which consist of five short and five long syllables intermix'd alternately, tho' their order is sometimes beautifully vary'd with trochaics\*, contrary to *iambics*. (a) There

\* Homage to thee, and peace to all she brings. *Waller.*

\* I sing the man, *read* it who lists. *Cotton.*

(a) Two syllables our *English* feet compose,  
But *Quantities* distinguish them from *Prose*.

By

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There is also in frequent use what is called a *galloping* kind of measure, nearer prose, and usually employ'd in burlesque and satire, or on low subjects. With respect to time, or measure, it consists of three dactyls with a long syllable at each end, or four feet. (b)

Verse then requires metre, or measure, which is an harmonious disposition of a certain number of syllables that in the *English* and most modern languages is generally embellished with *rhyme*, which is a similarity of sounds between the terminations of verse, as *made, trade; able, table*; which last is call'd double rhyme.

The kinds of verse most used in *English* poetry are those of *ten, eight, and seven* syllables. The first is called *heroic*, in which the accent generally falls on every second syllable, and is used in heroic poems, tragedies, elegies, and pastorals, and

By *long* and *short*, in various stations plac'd,  
Our *English* verse harmoniously is grac'd:  
Whilst *short* and *long* heroic feet we raise,  
But these to vary is the poet's praise;  
For the *same sounds perpetually* disgust.  
Dryden † to this variety was just.

(b) Come, buy my sweet oranges, sauce for your veal,  
And charming when squeez'd in a pot of brown ale.  
Well roasted with sugar and wine in a cup,  
They'll make a sweet bishop when gentlefolks sup.  
Swift.

† This last verse, the first foot of which is a trochus, is a beautiful example of the precept.



and other serious subjects. After a couple of these verses sometimes follows a verse of twelve syllables, which is called an *alexandrine* (c), frequently used at the end of *lyric* stanzas.

We have several good poems consisting of verses of eight syllables, as *Hudibras*, except his double rhymes, Dr *Swift's* *Cadenus* and *Vanessa*, and his other pieces. The accent here too usually falls on every second syllable. (d)

Verses of seven syllables are called *Anacreontic*, as proper for odes composed after the manner of *Anacreon* the *Greek* poet. In these the accent falls on the first, third, fifth, and seventh, syllables, (e) or, what is the same, they consist of three trochaics and a long syllable. The *trochus* is used not only in *Anacreontic* and other verses of seven syllables, but in those in eight. \*

We sometimes meet with verses of three, †  
four,

(c) A needless *Alexandrine* ends the song, [along. *Pope*.  
That, like a wounded snake, drags its slow length

(d) Had hé but spár'd his tóngue and pén  
He might have róse like óther mén. *Swift*.

(e) Scé that beautéous blooming róse,  
All its frágrant sweéts disclóse!  
Opening tó the shíning líght,  
In its vérnal glóry bright.  
Bút what pity it must díe,  
Thát so chárms the rávish'd eye.  
Ah! your sweéter beauty múst  
Crúmbles into shápeless dúst. &c. *Gent. Mag.*

VOL. xxi p. 228.

\* Fáirest ísle all ísles excélling, *Dryden*.

† As in the *Lilliputian* ode.  
See him stride,  
Valleys wide.  
Over woods,  
Over floods. &c.

four, five, and six syllables (*f*), chiefly used in operas, odes, and common songs; which cannot escape observation, but have scarce any thing worth notice.

The several kinds of poetry, or compositions in verse, are, to begin with the lowest,

I. The **EPIGRAM**, which is a little poem (*g*), treating of one thing, and distinguish'd by shortness, beauty, and point. (*b*)

II. The **EPITAPH**, which has a turn of seriousness and gravity, and generally includes an elogy on the deceased. (*i*)

III. The *Pastoral*, or *Eclogue*, the subject of which is something in rural life, and the persons introduced rustics (*k*). *Virgil's* first eclogue is reckon'd the standard of pastorals. See *Dryden's* translation.

## IV. The

(*f*) Be not sparing,  
Leave off sneering,  
Buy my herring.  
Charming oysters I cry.  
My masters, come buy.

*Swift.*

(*g*) For a deanery *Jane* drew the *Oxford* decree,  
The same he undrew for a mitre and see.

*Gent. Mag. Vol. xv. p. 384.*

(*b*) To make this poem perfect be your care  
That *Beauty*, *Point*, and *Brevity* appear.

(*i*) Underneath this stone doth lie  
As much virtue as could die;  
Which when alive did vigour give  
To as much beauty as could live.

*Ben. Johnson.*

(*k*) The pastoral, which sings of happy swains,  
And harmless nymphs, that haunt the woods and plain,  
Should through the whole discover every where  
The old simplicity and pious air;  
And, in the characters of *Maids* and *Youth*,  
Unpractis'd plainness, innocence, and truth.

IV. The ELEGY. This is a *mournful* and *plaintive* kind of poem, first invented to bewail the death of a friend, and afterwards used to express the complaint of love, or any other dolorous and melancholy subject. (l)

V. The ODE. This species of poetry with the antients signified no more than a *song*, and was usually sung to the musical instrument called the *lyre*, whence it obtain'd the name of *lyric*; but with us the *ode* and *song* are different, the *ode* being seldom sung but on solemn occasions, and usually adapted to grave and lofty subjects, as the praises of heroes and great exploits, and even of GOD himself. The Ode generally consists of verses of different measure, and is divided into *Stanzas* or *Strophas*; its distinguishing character is *sweetness* (m), for the poet's aim is to sooth his readers by the variety of his measures, the delicacy of his words, and the description of things most delightful in their own nature. *The dying christian to his soul* is a celebrated ode of Mr Pope's. See also a translation of Sappho's famous ode, Gent. Mag. Vol. III. p. 432. Some odes are attempted with the spirit of that celebrated poetess, and some are written in the manner and

- (l) The elegy demands a solemn style;  
It mourns with solemn air the funeral pile;  
It paints the lover's torments and delights,  
How the nymph flatters, threatens, and invites.

- (m) *Sweetness* is most peculiar to the *ode*,  
E'en when it rises to the praise of GOD.  
Th' *expression* should be easy, *fancy* high;  
Yet *that* not seem to creep, nor *this* to fly:  
The words transpos'd, but in such order all,  
As the hard wrought, may seem by chance to fall.

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 taste of *Anacreon*, so famous for the delicacy of  
 his wit, and the exquisite yet easy and natural  
 turn of his poetry. See *Anacreontics* in the  
*Gent. Mag.*—But the nobler kind of ode is  
 called the *pindaric*, from its being written in  
 imitation of *Pindar*, a greek poet, celebrated  
 for the boldness and height of his flights, the  
 impetuosity of his style, and the seeming wild-  
 ness and irregularity that run through his com-  
 positions, which is said to be an effect of the  
 greatest art (n). The two celebrated odes of Mr  
*Dryden* and Mr *Pope* for *St Cecilia's* day are in  
 the *Pindaric* strain.

VI. The SONG, which is an inferior kind  
 of ode, is set to a tune, and admits almost of any  
 subject, but generally turns upon *love* or *drink-*  
*ing*. We have numbers of *songs*, but not many  
 that are excellent (o). You have a justly admired  
 song

(n) *Pindaric* odes are of the highest flight;  
 Happy the force, and fierce is the delight.  
 The poet here must be indeed inspir'd,  
 With fury too, as well as fancy, fir'd;  
 For art and nature in this ode must join,  
 To make this wond'rous harmony divine.  
 But tho' all seems to be in fury done,  
 The language still must soft and easy run;  
 The bright *transitions* and *digressions* rise,  
 And with their natural *returns* surprise.

(o) Tho' nothing seems more easy, yet no part  
 Of poetry requires a nicer art;  
 For as in rows of richest pearl there lies  
 Many a blemish that escapes our eyes,  
 The least of which defects is plainly shown  
 In some small ring, and brings the value down;  
 So songs should be to just perfection wrought,  
 Yet where can one be found without a fault?

D. of Buckingham.



song by Mr Gay, beginning "All in the downs," &c.

VII. SATIRE. This is a free, jocosé, witty and sharp kind of poetry, wherein the vices and follies of mankind are lash'd and ridicul'd, in order to their reformation. (p)

VIII. COMEDY. One of the species of Dramatic poetry, intended to make vice and folly appear ridiculous, and to recommend virtue, not so much by description, as personal action, being represented on a stage. In comedy are regarded (1) the *fable* or *plot*, which is the *subject matter*, and requires great care in the contrivance. (2) The *manners*, which denote the *temper*, *genius*, and *humour*, by which the poet distinguishes his characters. (3) The *sentiments*, which must agree with the manners of his *characters*; this requires a thorough knowledge of nature, a strong imagination, and a great genius. (4) *Diction* or *style*, which should be pure and neat, but simple and familiar, naturally expressing the *sentiments*, and agreeable to the *character* of the speaker. (q)

IX. TRAGEDY, the other species of the drama, represents some signal action perform'd by il-

(p) Folly and vice of every sort and kind,  
That wound our reason, or debase the mind.  
All that deserves our laughter, or our hate,  
To biting satire's province does relate.

(q) You must take care and use quite diff'rent words,  
When servants speak, or their commanding lords;  
When grave *old men*, or headstrong *youths* discourse,  
When stately *matrons*, or a busy *nurse*;  
A cheating *tradesman*, or a lab'ring *clown*,  
A Greek or *Asian*, bred at court or town

by illustrious persons ; or, according to *Aristotle's* definition, the imitation of one *grave* and *entire* action, of a just length, and which, without the assistance of *narration*, raises in us *pity* and *terror*, and refines and purges the passions. In tragedy as well as comedy, the essential parts are the *fable* (r), the *manners*, *sentiments* and *diction*. The *fable* consists of many *incidents* or *scenes* (s). As to the *manners*, it is sufficient to refer to what has been said under comedy ; and with regard to the *sentiments*, they should be proper and genuine (t). The *diction* must be adapted to the *sentiments* and *characters*.

X. The EPIC, or HEROIC poem ; which may be described a discourse invented with art to form the *manners* by instructions disguised under the *allegory* of an *important action*, related in *verse*, in a *probable*, *entertaining*, and *surprising* manner. The first thing to be observ'd in the *epic* poem is the *fable*, that is, the *form* and artful representation of the *action* which is the *matter* of the poem, and must be *great*, *suitable* to the dignity of *princes*, *heroes*, and *illustrious persons*, and to the very nature of an *heroic poem*.

(r) The *fable* is of tragedy the end,  
To which the grand design does wholly tend.

(s) Besides the whole design compos'd with art,  
Each moving *scene* must have a plot apart.

D. of Buckingham.

(t) The poet still must look within to find  
The secret turns of nature in the mind.  
He must be sad, be proud, and in a storm,  
And to each character his mind conform :  
The *Proteus* must all shapes, all passions wear,  
If he would have just *sentiments* appear.

*poem.* As to the *manners* and *sentiments*, they fall under the same rules as tragedy. The *diction* must be perspicuous, but at the same time *figurative*, *noble*, and *sublime*. (u)

(u) Would you your readers never should be tir'd,

Chuse some great hero fit to be admir'd.

Be your beginning plain, and take good heed

Too soon you mount not on the fiery steed.

Chuse not your tale of incidents too full,

Too much variety may make it dull.

Be your narrations *lively*, *short*, and *smart*,

In your descriptions shew your noblest art.

With figures numberless your story grace,

And every thing in beauteous colours trace.

Boileau on Epic Poetry.

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